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ANNUAL REPORT

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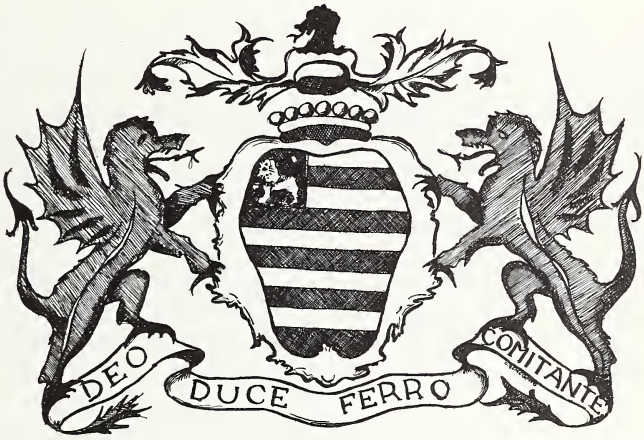

1956

Town of Charlemont, Massachusetts

The Cover Photograph

The Little Red Schoolhouse is the perfect symbol of the educational crisis now facing the nation. This crisis is both external and internal. Externally it is comparatively recent, and is marked by inadequate school plant, both lack of mere space and lack of facilities. These shortcomings made the red schoolhouse obsolete. In Charlemont the external crisis is on the way toward solution, and if the Mohawk Trail Regional School becomes a reality the old and the new will stand on the same site as a constant reminder of the problem.

Internally the crisis is not so apparent, nor is it of recent origin. It is concerned with the real purposes of education, the adequacy of teaching and the fundamental basis of the educational process. Those who look back on the red schoolhouse with nostalgia and insight know that it was not the building which educated them. but that it was perhaps the teaching or some almost indefinable essence which made the experience there significant. The internal crisis consists of the search for the best answers to these basic questions, and it will likely last forever. It can only be approached through the minds and hearts and efforts of an enlightened citizenry.

The East Charlemont Schoolhouse, shown on the cover, was built in 1828 and used as a school until 1944. Since 1953 it has been designated an official historical monument of the town, and, presumably, will be preserved as such indefinitely.

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JOHN W. HESELTON

☆

STATE SENATOR

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☆

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Term Expires 1956

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Term Expires 1956

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Term Expires 1957

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Term Expires 1956

EMMA B. VINCENT
Term Expires 1957

GERALD RAYMOND
Term Expires 1958

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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F. DEANE CARTER
Treasurer

GERTRUDE OGDEN, Secretary

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GERALD RAYMOND

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

WILSON L. TILLEY

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

CHARLES PURINTON

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

WILLIAM C. TURNER

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Term Expires 1957

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Term Expires 1956

D.A. LANOUE, Secretary
Term Expires 1957

CHARLES E. STREETER
Term Expires 1958

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TREE WARDEN

ROY BREEN

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ROGER E. McKINSTRY

CHARLES PURINTON

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

FRANK J. WELLS

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

STANTON C. KENDRICK

CLERK TO TOWN OFFICERS

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ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

PAUL E. HEIST

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT NURSE

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R.N.

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

FRANK J. WELLS

DOG OFFICER

LAWRENCE TINNEY

SUPERINTENDENT, GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

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INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

ROGER E. McKINSTRY

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

D.A. LANOUE

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

ROY A. HICKS

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

ROY A. HICKS

WILBUR L. BURNETT

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HARRY F. HAWKES

FIELD DRIVERS AND POUND KEEPERS

MARSHALL F. JOHNSON

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MEASURERS OF LUMBER

WILLIAM C. TURNER

HERMAN F. HARRIS

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RAYMOND G. WILLIS

ROBERT E. AVONDO

THEODORE WILLARD

JURY LIST - 1957

Elsie C. Bissland, Housewife
Wilbur L. Burnett, Farmer
Lawrence Burrington, Employee, Red Rose Restaurant
Fred W. Carroll, Lumberman
Kenneth W. Henderson, Bottled Gas Dealer
Earle K. Howes, Painter
Roger McKinstry, Cabin Owner
Laurence Pitman, Retired Engineer
Eva T. Porrovecchio, Housewife
James A. Rice, Lineman, Northern Berkshire Electric Co.
William P. Stafford, Lineman, Northern Berkshire Electric Co
Richard Tanner, Laborer
Mildred C. Wilson, Cashier, A. L. Avery & Son General Store

TOWN CALENDAR

1957	
Jan. 15	Last Registration of Voters before Town Meeting
Feb. 4	TOWN MEETING
Mar. 30	Last day for filing Seasonal Liquor Licenses
Mar. 31	Dog Licenses – Expiration Date
Apr. 21	Easter Sunday
May 30	Memorial Day
June 14	Elementary School Closes
June 21	High School Closes
July 4	Independence Day
Sept. 2	Labor Day
Sept. 4	School opens
Oct. 31	Last Day for Payment of Town Taxes without Penalty
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 30	Last day for filing Liquor License renewals
Dec. 25	Christmas Day
Dec. 30	Last day for filing Nomination Papers for Election of Town Officers
1958	
Jan. 14	Last day for registration before Town Meeting
Feb. 3	Town Meeting

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The most significant event of the past year was the establishment of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District, in which Charlemont joined with five other towns to provide a new school covering grades 7 – 12. This action was taken in January at a special town meeting, with only three dissenting votes. It is unfortunate that there have been numerous delays in getting this project beyond the planning stage, one of them apparently being caused by a member town's dissatisfaction with the choice of an East Charlemont site for the new building. It is to be hoped that this and other difficulties will be ironed out and construction started sometime in 1957.

The year's highway program was carried on about as usual, handicapped as it always is by lack of funds. Some progress was made on South River Road, although it was necessary to carry forward part of the appropriation because railroad ties for cribwork were unavailable. A long-felt need for guard rail was partially met by making a start along Zoar Road, but a great deal remains to be done on this as well as several other roads. At long last something definite seems to be in sight for Mill Hill on Route 8A, and we have high hopes that the Flood Relief Board will finance the greater part of the project. However, it will probably be necessary for the town to spend part of its Chapter 90 allotment on this road. The town received a windfall grant of about $10,000 for highway purposes as its share of the multi-million dollar State highway bond issue. Expenditure of the grant will be held up until the Legislature clarifies the basis upon which it can be spent.

Early in the Spring a wage increase was granted the Highway Department, bringing it into line with neighboring towns and the prevailing wage scale. Paid vacations were granted for the first time, in accordance with the vote of the last annual meeting.

As has been pointed out before, highway appropriations have not increased nearly as fast as costs, and the result inevitably appears as a failure to keep pace in road improvements. It is our feeling, however, that an increase in funds should come from the State, rather than being loaded onto the local tax rate, and our requests for 1957 show only slight increases over this year. A special appropriation is being asked to deal with a very bad water situation on Harmony Heights. A large watershed North of Fred Carroll's mill finds its outlet through a culvert under the highway and spills out, often in great volume, on the property

below. This water should be piped off from the culvert to an outlet under the State Highway, and funds to accomplish it should be provided.

For the first time in recent history a citizen, who was unfortunate enough to run his car off the road, has come forward and paid for the damage done to the guard rail. Although deploring his accident, we commend his honesty and sense of responsibility in making good the damages.

During the year death took Assessor Francis Avery and Constable Walter Henderson, both of whom had served long and faithfully and whose loss will be deeply felt. Donald Raymond was appointed to the vacancy on the Board of Assessors.

Litigation involving the estate of Sanford Fife, who generously left his property to establish a free hospital bed for Charlemont residents, was finally settled in 1956. The Franklin County Public Hospital is now prepared to offer assistance, to the extent of the funds available, to townspeople on the basis of need.

The status of the Tyler Memorial Library was clarified by the issuance of a decree by the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. Under its terms the Free Town Library will now become the Tyler Memorial Library. The Tyler real estate may now be sold if the town so votes, the proceeds to be added to principal of the Tyler Library Trust Fund.

The town dump continues to be a problem, mainly because so much of its clientele is unwilling to dump rubbish over the bank but prefers to unload in or near the roadway. An increased appropriation is being requested to meet this problem.

Early in the year the Board appointed a special committee to investigate the advisability of adopting some kind of protective regulations which might insure that any future development of the town would be along sound and desirable lines. This committee has worked hard and well, and its preliminary report is carried elsewhere in this publication. The Selectmen are heartily in accord with the thinking of this Committee.

The year-end demands a hard, sober look at the future, and in many respects it is not bright. There seems to be no end in sight to the steady trend of rising costs and its inevitable consequence, increased taxes. The town has no industry to help bear this burden, nor is it a suburban town with great potential as a residential area. Farming is being slowly but surely cur-

tailed, it being an enterprise which is relatively harder hit than most by the property tax. The only way to lower taxes is to eliminate services, and there seems to be no possibility of doing this because many municipal services are already inadequate. It is probably true that a regional, rather than a local, solution may be found for some of our problems. This approach offers promise, particularly in the field of education. However, the town will eventually be faced with the necessity of making large capital outlays, for water and for sewers, to name two, if it is to remain an attractive place in which to live. These and other problems will have to be met sooner or later, and they deserve the continuing, thoughtful consideration of all the citizenry.

Respectfully submitted

WINSTON HEALY
WILLIAM D. PIERSON
HORACE E. WARFIELD

Board of Selectmen

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Herewith is submitted the eighth annual report of the Finance Committee.

The Committee has met several times during the year and has authorized the transfer of funds from the Reserve account to other accounts as is shown in the Financial Statement. The Committee urges the voters to read the Financial Statement in order to better understand the business of the Town.

The Committee is pleased to note that the Hawlemont School Committee in the future will be following a previous Finance Committee suggestion in regard to transportation which should be beneficial to both towns.

The Committee wishes to thank all those who have helped to prepare the 1957 budget, which it has approved as printed in the warrant and urges all townspeople to cooperate with their Town officers during the coming year for efficiency and economy for mutual benefit.

The outlook for a lighter tax burden does not look to be in the near future if the benefits of the Mohawk Trail Regional School are to be realized, but as the older generation used to say, "Where there is a will there is a way." Your Finance Committee feels that if we will all cooperate there will be a way to make a better Charlemont for tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted,

STANTON C. KENDRICK
D. A. LANOUE
CHARLES E. STREETER

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The year 1956 was a very active one for the Charlemont Fire Department. In addition to answering the calls of 24 fires, both locally and out of town, the Department organized and participated in many activities, which we feel were beneficial to the community.

Under Chief Frank Wells the officers elected for the year were: Kenneth Henderson, President, Roger Willis, Vice-President; and Ray Willis, Secretary-Treasurer.

The biggest change in the operation of the Department came with the installation of the new red fire phones at strategic places in town, namely, at the homes of Frank Wells, Kenneth Henderson, Mrs. Leora Howes, Purinton's Service Station, and the fire house. Seconds after answering the call of EDgewood 9-4460 on one of these phones, the siren is sounded and the firemen alerted for action.

The change over to dial phones necessitated our installing an automatic siren to sound every day, except Sunday, at twelve o'clock noon. The time and work donated by Payson Stafford and James Rice on this project is greatly appreciated by the Department.

Acknowledgements are also in order at this time for the many personal donations from townspeople to the Department.

One of the highlights of the year was the basketball game between the pajama clad Firemen and the Lions, clad in long red underwear, which raised money for the purchase of lockers for the school locker room.

The Little League baseball team enjoyed continual success again this year under the able managership of Joseph Kolnacki. All who have seen the Little Leaguers in action leave the ballfield convinced that they have seen competition, fairness, and good sportsmanship at its finest.

Eighty children took advantage of the fine swimming course conducted by the Red Cross and sponsored by the Department in July.

Our annual banquet, served by the Ladies Aid in the Federated Church, and attended by local firemen and guests from surrounding towns was a great success. The unique entertainment in the form of a demonstration of judo by an F.B.I. expert and the showing of World Series films was enjoyed by all present.

As in past years the Department participated in the program of Yankee Doodle Days by sponsoring the bridge dance and taking part in the parade.

The old year came to a close and 1957 came into being with a literal bang. Our normally quiet town was shaken as an F-86D Sabrejet exploded overhead and the pieces fell to ground on both sides of Upper Tea Street. The Department rushed to the scene and after extinguishing the blazing plane, cooperated with Air Force officials from Westover Field as they organized an air and ground search for the missing pilot. The Town spent a tense and anxious twenty-four hours until word came that he had been found, and was much saddened by the fact that he was not alive.

Throughout 1957 your fire department will again stand ready to cope with emergencies and work diligently and faithfully for the benefit and good of Charlemont.

For: Charlemont Firemen's Association

RAY C. WILLIS, *Secretary-Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Report of Work Accomplished and Conditions in General

SNOW, ROADS AND BRIDGES

In the year 1956 we have had more snow, ice, and sleet than for a good many years. We have removed from the highways 170 inches of snow, put 850 yards of sand for ice control, plowed private driveways, and tried to keep the roads passable.

FLOOD WORK

The department has put in 40 inch culvert on Todd Mountain Road, and used the bulldozer to smooth out the remainder of the road; rebuilt ¼ mile of the Wood Road; opened up two lane emergency traffic on North Heath Road; repaired the following bridges: Legate Hill Bridge, Burnett Bridge, Middle Bridge, Avery Bridge, Bremer Bridge and the Leazer Bridge.

CHAPTER 81

We have done our regular routine of maintenance, namely scraping, drainage and brush. The following roads are roads we have been able to make more improvements on: Warner Hill, 500 feet of gravel; Burrington – 650 feet of gravel; Center Heath – 400 feet gravel; Mountain Road – 1500 feet gravel; South Heath – 50 feet gravel; Maxwell Road – 600 feet gravel; Legate Hill 1400 feet gravel; South River 700 feet gravel; Burnt Hill 500 feet gravel; West Oxbow 300 feet gravel.

Our drainage for the past year is not a pleasant outlook. Owing to the high water considerable damage was done to the drainage. We have installed one 36 inch culvert on the Burrington Road, one on Legate Road, and numerous ones over the 46 miles of road. Throughout the town much more could be done on drainage saving the town considerable money in the future.

The following roads' base had bituminous treatment this year: Mountain Road – 1600 feet new work, two coats of tar; Legate Hill 1200 feet seal coat. Because of the necessity of taking Chapter 81 money to maintain winter roads, we are about 10% short in our maintenance money for the year.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

All Chapter 90 roads were patched and the following seal coated: North Heath Road – 2700 feet, West Hawley Road – 2600 feet, and Heath Road 5700 feet. There has been 1500 feet of Flexbeam guard rail put on the Zoar Road. The guard rail on

the following bridges has been repaired, replaced and painted: Maxwell Road, Tower Bridge and Middle Bridge, West Oxbow, Leazer, Barnes and Harris Bridges, East Oxbow, first, second, third bridges.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Around 700 feet of new work was built this year, a very difficult and costly piece of road.

RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATION FOR 1957

Snow, Roads and Bridges

$2500	Sand and salt
1500	Private driveways
4000	Snow Removal and maintenance

Chapter 81

The regular amount, $14,950.00.

Chapter 90 Maintenance

$6000	for maintenance
1500	guard rail on Zoar Road
1500	guard rail and repair on bridges.

Chapter 90 Construction

$8000

We feel as though this is a very small sum according to what the surrounding towns are getting for this type of work. Would appreciate ½ to ¾ increase.

$500 Town money to put 15 inch pipe from East Harmony Road through Davenport property to catch basin on Route 2.

MACHINERY DEPARTMENT

We have three trucks, four tractors (2 crawlers and 2 rubber tired), grader, broom, all the necessary small tools, two sanders, 7 snow plows. The upkeep on this machinery is between $5000 and $6000 per year. We have two very hard problems to look forward to: No. 1. Our old horse drawn scraper made over to a crawler drawn scraper made over to a rubber tired drawn scraper is unfit for the modern methods of maintaining roads.

No. 2. We have 5 snow removal pieces of equipment, representing 100% snow removal. Two pieces are crawler tractors — one used 50 hours in the last six years. The other one a little more. It is impossible to use these two pieces of equipment more than 3% of all plowing we have to do. This figures up to have 60% efficiency 97% of the snow removal time. When we are plowing driveways, another 20% of our equipment is not available and that cuts us down to 40% efficiency. With 40% efficiency it is a very hard proposition to keep our roads passable in snow

conditions. We would like to have at least 70% efficiency on snow removal. Our sanding equipment does real well — we always get too little or too much at the wrong place at the wrong time.

Highway Department

PAUL E. HEIST
Superintendent of Roads

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

During the year 1956, Memorial Park was once again used to a great advantage.

The greatest event of all was the three-day Yankee Doodle Day Celebration.

The Sportsmen also held their usual trap shoots, along with family gatherings, etc.

Money appropriated was used in painting the front of the grandstand, replacing broken windows, and for a small amount of chloride used during our three-day celebration.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. PURINTON, *Chairman*
HARRY F. LEGATE
AVIS M. CHURCHILL

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

The following is my first annual report as Chief of Police of the Town of Charlemont.

I have received calls to investigate 11 auto accidents, one in which there were two fatally injured; the others were of minor damages and slight injuries. Four summonses were served for other Police departments. I received twenty-two other calls from people to investigate. One of them was the break at Hawlemont School which is still unsolved. Twice I was called about the breaking of windows at the Fairgrounds. Four operators have had their licenses suspended and three have had them revoked

Fourteen arrests were made and taken to court.

CAUSES OF ARRESTS:

Runaway	1
Speeding	3
Use of Car without Authority	5
After Suspension of License	1
Operating to Endanger	1
Overlength Trailer	1
Drunken Driving	1
Assault with Dangerous Weapon	1

I definitely feel that there should be more traffic duty done, especially on week-ends.

The finance report of the Police Department will be found on a separate page of this report.

I wish to express my thanks to the Shelburne Falls State Police personnel for the help they have given me this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Cyrus C. Annear, Sr.
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

During the past year permission was granted by the Attorney General to transfer Tyler funds to the use of the Charlemont Library in its present location, providing the name be changed to "Tyler Memorial Library" and a marker designating it as such be erected. The purchase of this plaque is now under consideration. Permission to sell the Tyler building was also granted, if such action should be authorized by the Town Meeting, the net proceeds to be used for the maintenance and improvement of the "Tyler Memorial Library".

The partition between the center rooms has been removed. Two 90JJ folding tables and 2 reed chairs have been purchased. New Parkwood tops have been installed on the Librarian's desk and a table which was also refinished. A new floor covering of green linoleum has been laid in the center room

We hope soon to have better lighting facilities and drapes at all windows.

Full details of the disbursement of the Library and Tyler Nenorial funds will be found under Selectmen's and Treasurer's reports.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WAKEFIELD
GRACE B. GOULD
BLANCHE L. HUNT

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

Total circulation for 1956 was 14,133 – this includes books loaned from the Regional Library Center in Greenfield, via the Bookmobile, and those circulated from the town library – now called The Tyler Memorial Library. The number of books purchased 190. Circulation from the Bookmobile was 3731, adult fiction 1013, adult non-fiction 516, Juvenile fiction 1771, juvenile non-fiction 431. Circulation from the Library was 10,402 – adult 5565, juvenile 1928, magazines 2135, and non-fiction 774.

The Library is open Wednesdays from 2 to 5 P.M.; Saturdays from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 P.M. Please note the date-due slip in the back of books —— the books may be borrowed for 2 weeks, magazines for 1 week – please do, get them back, when due.

Respectfully submitted,

PEARLE TANNER, *Librarian*

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PROTECTIVE REGULATIONS

Several weeks ago the special Planning Committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen in response to the Mohawk Trail Association and the Charlemont Lions Club made a brief report of its work.

It now appears desirable to work out suitable protective regulations in cooperation with the Massachusetts Development Commission of the Department of Natural Resources. Your committee will be glad to continue its assignment in cooperation with the Board of Selectmen in arranging conferences with special representatives of the Development Commission in preparing regulations for our township.

Our understanding is that these protective regulations must have approval of the citizens of the town at a town meeting. We wish to make it possible for all segments of the population to be properly represented at such a meeting.

We would, therefore, request consideration of calling a special town meeting for review or approval of the proposed protective regulations at an early date.

Sincerely,

WM. E. HALLAHAN, *Chairman*
PAUL DiBENEDETTO, *Secretary*
SHERMAN PIKE

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

1956	*Name*	*Parents*
Jan. 5	– Elizabeth Mary MacLean	Wallace Sterling MacLean Leona Ada Maynard
Feb. 24	– Dawn Marie Fitzroy	Herbert Henry Fitzroy Ruth Marie McHaffie
Feb. 26	– Wendy Colette Lanoue	Dolphice Ambrose Lanoue Clara Idella McHaffie
May 1	– Reno Hyytinen	Reino A. Hyytinen Virginia B. Pierce
May 3	– Sarah Linn Frisbie	Joseph Calvin Frisbie Shirley Ann Schwartz
July 10	– Patricia Anne Stafford	Edward Russell Stafford Margaret Louise Erickson
Sept. 13	– Ava Elsie Hunkler	Harley Hunkler Elsie Lena Burnett
Sept. 27	– Allen William Hicks	Walter William Hicks Beverly Jean McKinnon
Oct. 6	– James Edward Pierce	Edward Pierce Mabel Irene Peters
Oct. 8	– Pamela Elnora Stetson	Francis Robert Stetson, Jr. Flora Emogene Hall
Oct. 20	– James Thomas McHaffie	Thomas Nibloe McHaffie Norma Fannie Harmon
Nov. 1	– Marilyn Ann Wilson	J. Gilbert Wilson, Jr. Hazel Dora Hillman
Dec. 5	– Joan Muriel McCloud	Everett Bertram McCloud Marion Alice Stone
Dec. 30	– Karen Louise Annear	Cyrus C. Annear, Jr. Lucille E. Peters

COMPARISON TABLE OF BIRTHS

1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
19	17	10	17	14

MARRIAGES

1956	*Name*	*Residence*
Feb. 4 –	Cyrus C. Annear, Jr. Lucille E. Peters	Charlemont, Mass. Heath, Mass.
June 15 –	Leon Albert Reynolds Marion Grace Mathewson	Charlemont, Mass. Ashfield, Mass.
June 16 –	Ralph Earl Seale Mildred (Tilley)VonDrewitz	Miami, Florida Miami, Florida
June 23 –	John Thomas Collette Angeline Lamore	Millers Falls, Mass. Charlemont, Mass.
July 8 –	Raymond Alvin Purinton Esther Janet White	Charlemont, Mass. Hawley, Mass.
Aug. 18 –	Verne Ellsworth Bliss Janet Albee	Charlemont, Mass. Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 4 –	Kemp Carson Gibson Bernice Mary Taylor	Marlinton, West Virginia Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 8 –	Robert Donald Hicks Teresa Loria Peters	Charlemont, Mass. Heath, Mass.

COMPARISON TABLE OF MARRIAGES

1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
8	10	11	11	8

DEATHS

1956	*Name*	*Age-Years*	*Months*	*Days*
Jan. 15 –	Edward T. Clark	85	0	0
Mar. 5 –	Ray Edgar Champlin.....	61	9	0
Mar. 25 –	Earl Otis Maynard	62	6	5

1956	Name	Age-Years	Months	Days
Apr. 3	– Margaret G.(McGurren)Tinney	65	0	0
May 28	– Florence Negus Young.....	77	8	26
June 2	– Elbert Frank Spear.....	80	2	6
June14	– John M. Leahy.....	40	7	21
June14	– Paul Whightman Williams.....	36	1	17
July 12	– Francis W. Avery	70	10	26
July 14	– Arthur L. Hathaway.....	74	10	4
July 25	– Frederick Crocker	71	6	9
Sept. 9	– Ida (Brackett) Legate	88	11	28
Sept.10	– John Thomas Snell	70	0	0
Nov. 22	– John Breen	79	11	10
Dec. 5	– Walter Andrew Henderson	60	4	2

COMPARISON TABLE OF DEATHS

1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
12	12	11	13	15

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED

13	Resident Citizens' Sporting & Trapping Licenses to persons seventy or more years old	Free
3	Resident Citizen O.A.A. and to the Blind Fishing Licenses	Free
52	Resident Citizen Fishing Licenses @ $3.25	$169.00
97	Resident Citizen Hunting Licenses @ $3.25	325.25
94	Resident Citizen Sporting Licenses @ $5.25	493.50
16	Resident Citizen Minor Fishing Licenses @ $1.25	20.00
38	Resident Citizen Female Fishing Licenses @ $2.25	85.50
1	Resident Citizen Trapping License @ $7.75	7.75

19	Non-Resident 3-Day Fishing Licenses @ $2.75	52.25	
1	Alien Fishing License @ $7.75	7.75	
10	Non-Resident Citizen Hunting Licenses @ $15.25	152.50	
2	Non-Resident Citizen Sporting Licenses @ $20.25	40.50	
3	Duplicate License @ $ .50	1.50	
	Paid Division of Fisheries and Game	$1,272.50	
	Fees retained	83.00	
			$1,355.50

DOG LICENSES ISSUED — 1 KENNEL LICENSE

57	Male Dog Licenses @ $2.00	$114.00	
18	Female Dog Licenses @ $5.00	90.00	
49	Spayed Female Dog Licenses @ $2.00 .	98.00	
1	Kennel License @ $25.00	25.00	
			$327.00
	Paid Town Treasurer	$302.00	
	Fees retained	25.00	
			$327.00

Respectfully submitted

MARY L. CARPENTER, *Town Clerk*

TRUSTEES OF EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Herewith is submitted the fourth annual report of the trustees of the East Charlemont Schoolhouse.

At the annual meeting in May, the election of officers took place and the same slate of officers reappointed for another year.

A report of the findings of the building inspector, Mr. Lane, was given and revealed that the building according to his standards was unsafe for meetings of large groups without many changes being made. This appears to be an expensive undertaking and prohibitive at this time.

Repairs to the shed roof will be necessary in the near future and some inside adjustments made.

The East Charlemont Club hold their monthly meetings in the building and as this is a small group, it does not seem that the use of the building should be denied them.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL V. SEARS, *Clerk*
LAWRENCE CLARK, *Chairman*
STANTON KENDRICK
EMMA W. FISK
D. J. MALCOLM

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL

Burton W. Avery, *Chairman*	*Term expires 1957*
Emma Vincent	*Term expires 1958*
Gerald Raymond, *Secretary*	*Term expires 1959*
Wilson L. Tilley	*Superintendent*

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term	Opens January 2, 1957 Closes February 15, 1957
Second Winter Term	Opens February 25, 1957 Closes April 18, 1957
Spring Term Opens	Opens April 29, 1957 Closes June 14, 1957 (Elem.) Closes June 21, 1957 (High)
Fall Term	Opens September 4, 1957

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

New Years Day	January 1, 1957
Good Friday & Patriot's Day	April 19, 1957
Memorial Day	May 30, 1957
Teachers' Convention (Tentative)	October 4, 1957
Veterans' Day	November 11, 1957
Teachers' Visiting Day	December 2, 1957
Thanksgiving	closes noon November 27, 1957
Christmas Holidays	closes noon December 20, 1957

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my first annual report.

In the past year three amendments to the Hawlemont Regional School District Agreement have been accepted. The first was to provide for four equal payments toward the capital and operating costs by the member towns instead of the possible two. The second was to have the District include Grades 1-6 instead of Grades 1-8 in preparation for the establishment of a 7-12 Regional School District. The third was to provide for all elementary transportation by the District, rather than by the individual towns, thereby increasing the amount of state reimbursement to 100% for this item.

The Hawlemont Regional School Committee elected Mrs. Harris as an additional member of the staff beginning in September, which permitted a much needed increase of time to devote to 7th and 8th grade English and Science.

The Committee accepted with regret the retirement of Mrs. Carter, first grade teacher, who devoted many years of faithful service to her profession. She has been replaced by Mrs. Verna Taylor of Greenfield.

The resignation of Mr. Covel in Math and Science was accepted and, except for the first two weeks served by Mr. Albert Pieropan, has since been filled by Mr. Robert Waldron.

Mr. Joseph Kolnacki was elected to coach Regional School basketball and baseball teams, providing opportunity for much needed extra-curricula physical activities.

An increase in time for 7th and 8th grade Art and introduction of Instrumental Music has further enriched the elementary and high school programs.

Sorely needed improvements have been provided in the past year in the high school building. Paint and repair of the boys' lavatories, painting stairwells, trimming of other areas, refinishing desks and building a new table for the study hall were among the more importment accomplishments. It is hoped that similar improvements on the outside may be made in the near future.

A high percent of staff replacement resulted with the resignation of Mr. Minnich, Miss Plante and Mr. Egan. Mr. Robert Jackman was elected to fill the vacancy of Principal, Miss LeTendre replaced Mr. Egan and Mrs. Upton replaced Miss Plante.

Miss LeTendre left in December to be replaced by Miss Suzanne Gortner of Greenfield in the Commercial Department.

I personally feel that in recent years there has been steady progress toward maintaining higher standards of education for your community. With an eye toward the future and hope of continued progress, your School Committee has adopted a salary schedule which promises to play an important part in insuring your children a basic education which you may well be proud of.

Since sound education can only be attained through sound health, there will continue to be stress upon the physical fitness of your children. Miss Dorothy Morehouse is to be highly commended for her accomplishments in this area.

Mrs. Maynard, with the able assistance of Mrs. Stafford, continues to provide a hot lunch program which I feel is second to none.

The thorough efforts of Mr. Will Turner and Mr. Charles Purinton continue to provide a clean, wholesome atmosphere for your children to work in.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank everyone connected with the school program, as well as parents, students, and citizens in the community who have supported me and contributed immeasurably to the success of the school program.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON L. TILLEY, *Superintendent*

CHARLEMONT PUPILS

By Age and By Grade

Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Spec.	1	1	1			1									4
1	11	10	4	1											26
2		3	12	3											18
3			2	8		1									11
4				7	8	1	1								17
5					1	8	5	3	1						18
6						2	4		1						7
7							1	12	2	1					16
8									9	3	1	1			14
9										9	2	1			12
10											6	1	1		8
11												6	3		9
12													5	3	8
Total	11	14	19	20	9	13	11	15	13	13	9	9	9	3	168

CHART OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL — TEACHERS

Regional and High School

Name	*Position*	*Experience*	*Professional Training*
Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent	7 Years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
Robert H. Jackman	Principal-Teacher	5 Years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
Frances A. Gray	Gr. 8 - 12 English	10 Years	B.S. Boston University School of Chinese Stud., Peiping, China
Elizabeth Harris	U. S. History, Civics Gr. 7 - 8 Social Studies & Science	19 Years	B. A. Alfred University Columbia University Hofstra College
Kathleen P. Upton	Gr. 7 English & Math (7 & 8) Gr. 9 - 12 Languages	2 Years	B. A. University of Massachusetts
Robert J. Waldron	Gr. 9 - 12 Mathematics Gr. 9 - 12 Science	1 Year	B.S. University of Massachusetts Assoc. in M.E. Worcester Jr. College
Jeanne LeTendre (Resigned)	Commercial Studies	1 Year	B.S. Boston University
H. Suzanne Gortner	Commercial Studies	1 Year	Fisher Junior College
Winifred D. Looney	Grade 6	10 Years	Framingham Normal School

Thelma Purinton	Grade 5	13 Years	North Adams Normal School
Gladys Clark	Grade 4	16 Years	Aroostook State Normal School
B. Constance Pollard	Grade 3	24 Years	North Adams Normal School
Hazel N. Richmond	Grade 2	12 Years	North Adams Normal School
Verna Taylor	Grade 1	3 Years	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
Grace Raymond	Special Instruction	6 Years	Fitchburg Normal School
Esther Galbraith	Music Supervisor	7 Years	Springfield Conservatory of Music
Beda Langevin	Lip Reading & Speech Therapy	8 Years	Clark School for Deaf
Jeanette Rich	Art Supervisor	14 Years	B. S. Massachusetts School of Art
Rinehart Handwriting System			

Non-Teaching Personnel

Ann E. Doyle	Secretary
Will C. Turner	School Custodian – Charlemont High School
Charles Purinton	School Custodian – Hawlemont Regional School
Gertrude Maynard	Cafeteria Manager
Grace Stafford	Cafeteria Assistant
Dorothy Morehouse, R.N.	School Nurse
Samuel Galbo, M.D.	School Doctor
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I hereby submit my report as Principal of Schools for the last four months of 1956.

Our enrollment on September 5, 1956, the first day of school, was 254 pupils. There were 196 children enrolled in Grades 1-8 and 58 pupils in Grades 9-12.

The following new teachers came into the Hawlemont Regional and Charlemont High School: Mrs. Maurice W. Taylor – Grade 1; Mrs. Kathleen Upton – Arithmetic for Grades 7 and 8, English for Grade 7, French and Latin at the high school level; Mrs. Elizabeth Harris – Science for Grades 7 and 8, Social Studies for Grades 7 and 8, Civics and United States History at the High School level; Mr. Albert Pieropan – General Science, Basic Mathematics, Algebra I and II, Biology and Physics; Miss Jeanne LeTendre – Stenography I and II, Bookkeeping I, Typing I and II and General Business Training.

Mr. Albert Pieropan, our High School Mathematics and Science teacher, asked to be replaced after school had been open for a week. Mr. Robert Waldron was elected to replace Mr. Pieropan.

Miss Jeanne LeTendre left us on December 21, 1956. Miss Suzanne Gortner was elected to replace Miss LeTendre.

Mrs. Harrison Raymond has been teaching a small group of children two hours each day in the Principal's Office in the Hawlemont School. This group of children has needed special instruction due to handicaps which prevent them from entering into all normal classroom activities. These children have, however, participated in music with the other school children.

Mrs. Beda Langevin has been giving special speech instruction once a week to those pupils in the primary and intermediate grades who have difficulty in speaking fluently.

Some of the physical facilities of Charlemont High School have been improved this fall. The boys' and girls' toilets and the basement stairways have been given a coat of paint. This coat of paint has improved these facilities tremendously. A lavatory was also installed in the boys' toilet. Previously the boys had to go upstairs to the first floor and use the lavatory in the corridor.

The Art courses for Grades 7-12 have been enriched by an increase in teaching time with the Art Supervisor. Art in Grades 7-12 had been offered on a once-a-week basis previous to this year. All pupils in Grades 7 and 8 now have Art each Thursday with Mrs. Rich, and those pupils desiring further study in Art

may take an additional period of Art on Friday. The high school students electing Art now have two periods of Art per week instead of one.

A high school orchestra was started this fall on an after school basis. Mrs. Galbraith, Music Supervisor in the Hawlemont Regional and Charlemont High School, has met with this group each Monday after school. At the present time there are ten pupils participating in this orchestra. The orchestra made their first appearance at the high school Christmas Assembly and later provided the music for the high school Christmas Party.

Under the direction of Mrs. Maynard, the hot lunch program has continued to grow. Mrs. Maynard and her assistant, Mrs. Stafford, with the help of high school students, are providing hot lunches for more pupils than they have ever served before. The pupils go to lunch in three shifts: the primary grades first, the intermediate grades second, and then grades 7-12.

May I express my appreciation for the cooperation which has been extended by you, members of the School Committee, the faculty, parents, and students.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. JACKMAN
Principal
Hawlemont Regional School
and
Charlemont High School

GRADUATION PROGRAM

CLASS ROLL

John C. Avery
Donna M. Brant
Carol Harker
*William E. Maxwell
Carl J. Porrovecchio
Clayburn C. Rich
Herbert C. Taylor
*Joyce M. White

*High Honor and Pro Merito

FACULTY

Mr. Wilson L. Tilley, *Principal*

Mr. Arthur M. Covell
Mr. Paul M. Egan
Mrs. Frances A. Gray
Miss Eunice I. Plante

Mr. Charles H. Minnich, *Superintendent*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Burton W. Avery, *Chairman*

Mrs. Leslie F. Vincent
Mr. Gerald T. Raymond

PROGRAM

Processional	
Invocation	Rev. William H. Wakefield
Salutatory Address	William E. Maxwell
Class History	John C. Avery
Song	C. H. S. Chorus
Class Will	Donna M. Brant, Clayburn C. Rich
Class Prophecy	Herbert C. Taylor
Commencement Address	"Signals for Youth"

Dr. Franklin P. Hawkes
Director, Division of University Extension
Massachusetts Department of Education

Presentation of Class Gift	Carl J. Porrovecchio
Dedication of Yearbook	Carol Harker
Valedictory Address	Joyce M. White
Song	C. H. S. Chorus
Presentation of Awards	
American Legion	Patrick J. Coyne Post No. 171
School Awards	Wilson L. Tilley, *Principal*
Presentation of Diplomas	Charles H. Minnich, *Superintendent*
Class Song	Words by Senior Class
Benediction	Rev. Francis Shannon
Recessional	
Receiving Line	

GRADUATION AWARDS

Commercial Award — Carol Harker
To the student having highest grades in commercial subjects

Reader's Digest — Joyce White
A year's subscription to the valedictorian of the class

Bausch and Lomb Science Award — William Maxwell
To the student having the highest grades in science

American Legion Award — William Maxwell and Joyce White

English Award — Joyce White

Alumni Awards:
- For highest grades — Herbert Taylor and Virginia Warner
- Most improved — William Stafford and Ruth Willis

Athletics Award — William Maxwell and Joyce White

Pro Merito
- Seniors: — William Maxwell and Joyce White

D. A. R. Good Citizenship Award — Joyce White

CLASS MOTTO

Only the Educated Are Free

Class Colors: Blue and Gold — Class Flower: White Carnation

Accompanist: Mrs. Esther Galbraith, *Music Supervisor*

Marshal: Priscilla Boullie, *President, Class of 1957*

FINANCIAL REPORT

EXPENDITURES

General Control:		
School Committee Salaries	$ 150.00	
School Committee Expense	46.58	
Superintendent's Salary	2,210.65	
Superintendent's Travel	265.50	
Secretary's Salary	388.25	
Office Expense	33.53	
Telephone – High School & Supt.	171.82	
		$ 3,266.33
Instruction:		
Principal and Expense	$ 4,029.70	
Teachers' Salaries	9,744.27	
Substitutes	388.00	
Music Supervisor	101.21	
Art Supervisor	154.93	
		$ 14,418.11

Text Books		$ 669.66
Science Supplies		277.91
General Supplies		625.09
Educational Films and Tests		88.69
Janitor		2,734.65
Fuel		806.11
Operation:		
Lights	$ 208.28	
Janitor and Lavatory Supplies	290.58	
Rubbish Removal	36.75	$ 531.61
Repairs and Replacements		$ 667.64
New Equipment		426.75
Health:		
Physician	$ 25.00	
First Aid	1.35	
		$ 26.35
Transportation:		$ 11,243.50
Vocational Transportation		10.00
Vocational Tuition		23.90
Athletic:		
Supplies	$ 216.06	
Fund	450.00	
Coaches	475.00	
Night Janitor Service	150.00	
		$ 1,291.06
Boiler Insurance		$ 63.00
Graduation Expense		48.92
TOTALS		$ 37,219.28

CREDITS FOR THE YEAR - 1956

Regular Appropriation	$ 37,218.00	
Refund from Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement	1.28	
	$ 37,219.28	
Amount of Appropriation Expended	37,219.28	
Amount of Appropriation Not Spent		00.00
Reimbursements:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Chapter 70, including 15% extra for participation in a Regional District		$ 11,200.00
Transportation		9,261.41
Superintendent of Schools		4,013.80
Vocational Tuition & Transportation		219.50
Tuition		6,170.00
		$ 30,864.72

SUMMARY

Amount Expended under Appropriation	$ 37,219.28
Total Receipts from sources other than local tax	30,864.72
Net Cost to Town for support of school	$ 6,354.56

REPORT OF HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Burton W. Avery, *Chairman*	Term expires 1957
Emma Vincent, *Vice-Chairman*	Term expires 1958
Gerald Raymond	Term expires 1959
Helen M. Stiles	Term expires 1957
David S. Rice	Term expires 1958
Gertrude L. Ogden, *Secretary*	Term expires 1959

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

Expenditures

General Control:		
School Committee Expense	$ 25.00	
Superintendent, Salary, Travel & Expense	1,699.55	
Secretary's Salary	307.00	
Telephone	136.10	
Incidentals	70.03	
		$ 2,237.68
Instruction:		
Principal	$ 1,148.63	
Teachers' Salaries	23,505.29	
Substitutes	249.00	
Supervisors – Music, Art, Handwriting, Speech	1,816.75	
Special Instruction	424.00	
		$ 27,143.67
Textbooks		1,378.13
Supplies		1,126.91
Educational Tests and Films		113.75
Janitor		3,038.42
Fuel		2,455.89

Operation:		
Lights	$ 1,356.52	
Janitor and Lavatory Supplies	303.82	
		$ 1,660.34
Repairs and Replacements		$ 129.96
Health		
Physician	$ 200.00	
First Aid Supplies	29.25	
		$ 229.25
Insurance – Fire, Building and Contents		$ 355.52
Treasurer's Expense:		
Treasurer – Salary	$ 150.00	
Treasurer – Bond	75.00	
Treasurer – Incidentals	20.89	
Franklin County Retirement System	374.90	
Audit	155.06	
		$ 775.85
Miscellaneous		95.67
TOTAL		$ 40,741.04

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT OF THE HAWLEMONT REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET

Operation-Maintenance

1. The agreement stipulates that this portion of the budget is determined on a per pupil basis by using the enrollment in the District School from each member town as of October 1st of the preceeding year.
2. On October 1, 1955 there were 49 children from Hawley and 115 children from Charlemont attending this school.
3. Therefore, the operational percentage for Hawley is 29.88% and 70.12 for Charlemont.
4. A balance of $765.88 from the 1954 appropriation was deducted from the 1956 appropriation, making the sum to be assessed to both towns $39,968.12.

5. Therefore, operation-maintenance cost to both towns is as follows:

Charlemont	$28,025.65	
Hawley	11,942.47	
		$39,968.12

Debt and Interest

1. The agreement stipulates that Hawley pay 21% and Charlemont 79% of this cost. Each year this amount will decrease and for 1956 it was $27,837.50. This was a decrease of $550 over 1955's payment. State reimbursement on the cost of the building was $8,757.98 which made the share to each town as follows:

Charlemont	$15,072.82	
Hawley	4,006.70	
		$19,079.52

Total Cost to Both Towns

	Charlemont	Hawley
Operation-Maintenance	$28,025.65	$11,942.47
Debt and Interest	15,072.82	4,006.70
	$43,098.47	$15,949.17

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Jan. 1st, 1956, Cash on Hand	$ 18,289.68
Received:	
Town of Rowe, tuition	4,928.75
Town of Rowe, office rent	93.79
Town of Heath, office rent	93.79
Town of Charlemont, budget	43,098.47
Town of Hawley, budget	15,949.17
Perry Brackett, tuition	150.00
State Treasurer, retirement refund ...	7.04
State Treasurer, payment on approved school construction	8,757.98

Samuel Narcus, refund	.59	
Cafeteria funds	10,314.17	
Income tax deductions	2,657.33	
Retirement deductions	967.15	
		$105,307.91

Disbursements

Paid:		
Operation warrants	$ 40,741.04	
Cafeteria warrants	10,703.66	
Capital Cost warrants	5,124.87	
Debt and Interest warrants	27,837.50	
Tax and Retirement warrants	3,127.35	
Available funds, Hawlemont School	17,023.58	
Available funds, Cafeteria	749.91	
		$105,307.91

Respectfully submitted,

F. DEANE CARTER
Treasurer

Hawley, Mass.
January 11, 1957

I have checked the books of F. Deane Carter, Treasurer of the Hawlemont Regional School District, and I find that he has a cash balance of $17,773.49.

Respectfully Submitted

EARL D. RICE
Auditor, Town of Hawley

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Organization

J. Roger Smith, *Chairman*	Shelburne
Payson Stafford, *Vice Chairman*	Charlemont
Ralph W. Wells	Buckland
Robert J. Haeberle	Buckland
*Albert J. Pilkington	Buckland
*George L. Mirick	Buckland
Emma Vincent	Charlemont
James H. Cromack	Colrain
Russell C. Denison	Colrain
*Herman Foster	Colrain
Helen Stiles	Hawley
Carol Malone	Heath
*John Burnham	Shelburne
William K. Hefner	Shelburne

**Resigned*

To the Towns in The Mohawk Trail Regional School District:

This is the first annual report of The Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee to the citizens of the six towns comprising the district. This year, being the year of our birth, progress has been rather slow but steady. We feel the committee as a whole has given unselfishly of its time and efforts. If mistakes have been made they were made only after many hours of deliberation and after all facts had been thoroughly sifted.

It is our sincere hope that The Mohawk Trail Regional High School will become a reality during the next twelve months. However, if it is to become a reality it will require the sincere efforts and sacrifice of all citizens in the six towns.

During the past year the committee visited several schools and interviewed a number of architects. Mr. Warren Ashley of West Hartford, Connecticut, was finally chosen to draw plans for the new school. Mr. Ashley has an outstanding reputation nationally for the schools which he has designed.

The committee made the following appointments: Philip M. Hallowell, *Superintendent of Schools;* Mr. Frederic P. Gray, *Treasurer;* Mrs. Esther T. Anderson, *Clerk,* and Mr. Donald Hillier, *Attorney.*

Dr. Herbert Bruner and his Associates of New York University were chosen as Educational Consultants.

The committee visited several sites and had engineering tests made on two of these sites. The red brick schoolhouse site in East Charlemont was finally chosen as the most suitable site for the region.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Receipts:		
Town of Shelburne	$ 807.91	
Town of Buckland	790.10	
Town of Colrain	766.34	
Town of Charlemont	314.85	
Town of Heath	166.34	
Town of Hawley	154.46	
		$ 3,000.00
Anticipation Serial Loan		25,000.00
		$ 28,000.00
Disbursements:		
Salary, Superintendent	$ 200.00	
Telephone	87.18	
Bond - Treasurer	19.00	
Salary, Treasurer	100.00	
Salary, Secretary	291.75	
Office Supplies	42.53	
Postage	11.14	
Land Survey	71.05	
Legal Expense	93.75	
Seal	45.47	
Committee Expense	151.77	
Operating Expense		$ 1,113.64
Test Borings	$ 2,358.00	
Educational Consultants	1,200.00	
		$ 3,558.00
Total Disbursements		$ 4,671.64
Balance on hand 12/31/56		$ 23,328.36

During 1957 the committee is obligated to pay approximately $12,800.00 out of the above balance to the architect, educational consultants, land surveys, and land appraisals.

Respectfully submitted,

THE MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NURSE

The Public Health Nursing activities in the towns of Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe include many types of visits. School health, clinics and home calls for all ages are made to help folks to keep well and to care for those who are sick.

The school health program was a very busy one, this year, with a total of 13 polio vaccine clinics added to the regular activities of physical examinations, tests, check ups, etc.

It is gratifying to know that the great majority of children in these 4 towns, from 6 months up to 20 in school, have had the protection of 2 doses of the Salk Polio vaccine. The "teen agers" out of school did not respond as well. Many, of course, were away from home. I cannot stress too greatly this need of protection against polio to the young adults, up to age 30 at least. This is the unprotected group now. The family doctor will give it – go to him!

Plans for the third dose, called booster, are being made. This comes at least 7 months after the second dose.

Severe colds have been prevalent among the school children. Many have developed ear aches. Without medical attention, a neglected ear infection could lead to a chronic condition and a permanent hearing loss. A child with a fresh cold, or one who is coughing, can quickly spread his cold to many others in the school room. He is a sick child. May I ask parents to keep such a child home – for his health and that of other children. This request is wholeheartedly approved by all the school personnel. At the start, a day or two in bed will often check a cold that might lead to a severe illness. There were 40,000 vitamin A & D capsules purchased by the District last fall. They may be bought at non profit rates all winter.

School physical examinations were given the High, Hawlemont and Rowe Schools by Dr. S. J. Galboand in the Heath School by Dr. H. E. Oxman. Dental caries was the outstanding defect, others were weak arches, enlarged tonsils and hardened ear wax. School vision tests are nearly completed. Those who fail are retested. With a second failure the parents are notified and a visit to an eye specialist advised.

Mrs. Beda Langevin tested the hearing of all children in the school union. Follow up was made on the few cases with hearing loss. Many of the children who attend Mrs. Langevin's classes for defective speech are showing marked improvement.

Our teachers are doing an excellent job in watching the health of the pupils. I am pleased to be notified of an ill child or an abnormal skin condition so that care may be given. With a suspicious contagious condition all pupils in the area are checked by the nurse.

Miss Genevieve Ely, State Dental Hygienist, examined the teeth of all pupils in the school union. She does more than just check their teeth and send home a notice when dental care is needed. I stayed with her one day. She talked to them as she worked – explaining why dental care was advisable. Some held up a mirror so they could really see a bad tooth or a little defect that their dentist might want to check and perhaps fill and so prevent greater decay. "It is the brushing that counts". Regular, thorough brushing the teeth removes food particles and greatly helps to prevent decay. So many children forget to brush! It was such fine dental health education and was surely an incentive to the pupil for good dental care. 81% of the children in grades 1 through 12 needed dental corrective care.

A modified Red Cross Home Nursing course was given at the High School to the Senior and Junior class girls. They learned by practicing on each other, how to give care and comfort to a sick or helpless person in the home.

To the Greenfield Health Camp went 2 girls and 3 boys. Often a child is chosen who is quite shy. Mixing with other children and being a "bit on their own" is of great help to them.

The annual Well Child Conferences were held in July at the Hawlemont School. Dr. M. B. Low was the examining physician and Mrs. George Coombs the nutritionist. A dental hygienist was not available this year. How nice to find a child is in perfect health. Any abnormal conditions are referred to the family doctor for care. The number attending were: Charlemont 65, Hawley 26, Heath 33 and Rowe 23.

Visits were made to new borns, infant and preschool children to be of help to the mother in maintaining good health of the child.

I sincerely thank the organizations in the towns for their generous contributions that help greatly in our health work for children. They were:

The Charlemont Lions Club – Eye examinations and glasses; Health Camp for 2; a very generous sum for school lunches for underweight youngsters and $100 for the Dental Fund.

The Ladies Aid – $3.55 for lolly pops at a large Polio Vaccine clinic. The children do look forward to them!

Donations to continue our Dental Program were kindly given by: *The Ladies Aid of the Federated Church, The Charlemont*

Womans Club, The Mt. Peak Rebekah Lodge, The Charlemont Lions Club, The American Legion Patrick J. Coyne Post No. 171, The American Legion Auxiliary, The West Hawley Ladies Aid, The Ladies Aid of Heath, The Heath Parent Teachers Association, The Heath Grange, The Rowe Grange and The Rowe Fire Department.

How am I ever going to show my appreciation to the many folks in the Towns who have so kindly helped me with so many health activities? I am very greatful to you all.

The Committee of the Western Franklin Public Health District, The Superintendent of Schools, the Principals, the Teachers, the Custodians, the many Well Child Conference workers, all the Polio Clinic ladies and other folks in the Towns.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R.N.
District Nurse

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:		
Balance brought forward January 1, 1956	$ 516.44	
Town of Charlemont	2,244.00	
Town of Heath	880.00	
Town of Hawley	748.00	
Town of Rowe	528.00	
Nursing Fees	260.75	
Dental Fund	75.00	
Capsules	76.00	
Withholding	511.20	
Total		$ 5,839.39
Disbursements:		
Nurse's Salary	$ 3,475.00	
Nurse's Mileage	345.52	
New England Tel. & Tel.	121.28	
Phone Service	37.00	
Supplies	70.30	
Treasurer's Salary to July 1st	100.00	

Office Rent	300.00	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Dr. Ostrowski	4.00	
Health Conference Expense	15.00	
Vitamins	89.99	
E. F. Mahady Supplies	12.66	
Withholding	511.20	
Total		$ 5,086.95
Balance carried forward to 1957		752.44

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT

Each year seems to increase our clerical duties with statistical reporting, medical authorizations and budgetary changes. An increase of 5.07% in cost of living, effective July 1, 1956, necessitated the refiguring of all budgets with increases in most cases.

The unusual amount of sickness has caused considerable time to be spent in the field as well as an additional expense to towns of the district.

Our case load has shifted from one category to another but little change in the total. The payments are higher due to cost of living increase and the unusual amount of sickness demanding more medical attention, hospitalization and nursing home care.

The following is a statistical analysis of the District activities:

Number of applications taken:	11
Number of home visits made:	203
no one home	9
Number of office calls:	28
Number of visits from State Area Representative:	8

Number of days State & Federal Auditor at office:	14
Number of Welfare Association Meetings attended:	3
Number of visits not classified as home visits:	
(Re: Hospital, Employment Office, Town Treasurers, Clerks, Assessors and Board Members, Attorney's Office and Registry of Deeds.)	53
Transportation of recipients:	12

CHARLEMONT:

	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Case Load Jan. 1, 1956	25	2	2	2
New Cases	4	0	0	0
Closed	3	0	1	1
Case Load Jan. 1, 1957	26	2	1	1
Paid Grants	$17,000.80	991.05	540.86	1,324.02
Medicals	8,547.58	155.71	1,155.60	572.62
Burials		150.00		
Paid to other Towns	922.88			220.00

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward from Dec. 31, 1955	$ 809.03
Town Appropriations:	
Charlemont	966.00
Hawley	276.00
Heath	368.00
Monroe	322.00
Rowe	368.00
Federal Grant Administration	
District OAA	2,275.99
District ADC	481.57
Didtrict DA	417.73
State Administration	
District ADC	321.04
District OAA	1,517.32
District DA	278.48

District GR	117.34	
Withholding Tax	706.80	
Franklin County Retirement System	297.00	
Phyllis L. Heist, *Agent*		$ 3,600.00
Phyllis L. Heist, *Transportation*		196.74
Edith B. Lynch, *Clerk*		2,340.00
Mary L. Carpenter, *Treasurer*		50.00
Bond for Treasurer		5.00
Supplies and communications		273.20
Town of Charlemont, rent		300.00
Assessed share - Franklin County Retirement		370.00
Withholding-Franklin County Retirement		297.00
Withholding - Federal Tax		706.80
Miscellaneous expenses		24.50
Credit balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1957		1,358.46
	$ 9,522.30	$ 9,522.30

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS L. HEIST, *Agent*

I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1956.

Respectfully,

MARY L. CARPENTER, *Treasurer*

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT BUDGET 1957

Salary:	
Agent	$3,600.00
Clerk	2,460.00
Treasurer	100.00
Telephone	130.00
Travel	240.00
Bonding Treasurer	5.00
Postage	120.00
Supplies	50.00
Miscellaneous Charges	75.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin County Retirement	287.35
TOTAL	$7,367.35

Balance brought forward from 1956	$1,358.46
Estimated amount to be received	
Federal	3,000.00
State	2,100.00
	$6,458.46

Voted at the December 4, 1956 meeting that the towns assessed share would be $1,600 and that the same percentages were to be used as in 1956.

Charlemont	42%	$672.00
Hawley	12%	192.00
Heath	16%	256.00
Monroe	14%	224.00
Rowe	16%	256.00

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

To The Selectmen of Charlemont:

Herewith is my twelfth annual report as Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent for the ten Towns of the Western Franklin District.

For the year 1956 requests for assistance at our office numbered Nine Hundred Sixty Two. According to our records these included Forty-One registrations for Selective Service, Thirty-Eight applications for Medical and Hospital treatment and twelve requests for assistance with Veterans Administration pensions. Photostat work is still done on Tuesday of each week and a total of Twelve Hundred Thirty-Seven prints were made in 1956.

Applicants receiving Veterans' Benefits under the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws, as amended, have been fewer in number than in 1955, but the total cost was greater, due to necessary Medical expenses. We have had thirty-one applications and at present have seventeen active cases. A total of Twenty Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Two Dollars and Ninety-eight Cents ($23,392.98) was administered for the seven Towns concerned.

Our files now contain the records of One Thousand Six Hundred Forty Seven veterans of the Spanish War, World War One, World War Two and Korea periods. Work on the permanent records has been continued as time allowed during the past year and satisfactory progress has been made.

The total of our monthly administrative expense warrants for the past year is Five Thousand Ten Dollars and Fourteen Cents ($5,010.14) about Two Hundred Dollars less than the budget set up for 1956. The sum of Twenty-eight Dollars and Twenty-five Cents was turned over to the Treasurer for outside Photostat work done at our office.

Assistance is still being furnished by the Veterans Administration Contact Representative, Mr. Edward A. O'Neil, and this greatly facilitates our dealings with the Government. The attendance of District Committeemen at the monthly meetings is encouraging and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SCOTT
Director and Veterans' Agent

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1952 Taxes Outstanding:		
Real Estate	$ 4.10	
		$ 4.10
1953 Taxes Outstanding:		
Personal Property	$ 22.80	
Real Estate	115.90	
		$ 138.70
1954 Taxes Outstanding:		
Poll	$ 2.00	
Personal Property	191.60	
Real Estate	529.00	
Motor Excise	34.41	
		$ 757.01
1955 Taxes Outstanding		
Poll	16.00	
Personal Property	501.16	
Real Estate	1,004.96	
Motor Excise	311.29	
		$ 1,833.41

1956 Taxes Outstanding

Poll	$ 72.00
Personal Property	1,031.32
Real Estate	7,502.86
Motor Excise	2,397.72
	$11,003.90

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. WILLIS

EXCERPTS FROM THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Article 2. Voted to raise the following appropriations:

$ 6,000.00	Snow, Roads and Bridges
2,400.00	Disability Assistance
12,000.00	Old Age Assistance
2,100.00	Miscellaneous
1,795.00	Fire Department
1,170.00	Street Lights
700.00	Library
287.12	Vehicle Liability Insurance
150.00	Bonding Town Officers
300.00	Board of Health
200.00	Memorial Day
100.00	Christmas Fund
35.00	Old Cemeteries
400.00	Police Department
50.00	Civilian Defense
2,000.00	Reserve Fund - from Overlay Surplus
1,600.00	Soldiers' Benefits
2,400.00	Welfare
600.00	Aid to Dependent Children
1,700.00	Town Hall
858.00	Franklin County Retirement
360.00	Legion Rooms
480.11	Town Property Insurance
1,000.00	Workmen's Compensation Insurance
400.00	Gypsy Moth and Dutch Elm

150.00	Town Dump
100.00	Interest
150.00	Swimming Classes
50.00	Fairground Maintenance
25.00	East Charlemont School
28,025.65	Hawlemont Regional School Operations

Voted to use $567,91 income from Stephen Leonard School Fund as part of the $37,218.00 appropriation in warrant, thus leaving the amount to be raised only $36,650.00 for the High School.

Article 3. Voted to raise $2,350.00 for Chapter 81 highway maintenance and construction to be spent in conjunction with State funds amounting to $12,925.00.

Article 4. Voted to raise $2,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction on South River Road, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $6,000.00.

Article 5. Voted to raise $3,000.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $6,000.00.

Article 6. Voted to transfer from Road Machinery Fund $6,100.00 to the 1956 Machinery Maintenance Account, to include the purchase of new equipment.

Article 7. Voted to raise $4,800.00 for payment of the following annual salaries to the town officers, together with such clerical help as the Selectmen may approve.

Selectmen	$300.00 each
Treasurer	750.00
Two Assessors	250.00 each
Sealer	75.00
Fire Chief	100.00
Historian	600.00
Clerk	450.00
Tax Collector	600.00

Clerk Assessor	350.00
Inspector of Animals	75.00
Dog Officer	15.00
Moderator	10.00

Article 8. Voted to transfer from Tyler Library Trust Fund Income Account $180.00 for maintenance of Tyler Library.

Article 9. Voted to appropriate from available funds in the treasury $15,172.82 to meet the town's share of the 1956 capital outlay expense of the Hawlemont Regional School District.

Article 10. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to grant annual one-week vacations with pay to employees of the Highway Department.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 24, 1956

Article 1. Voted to eliminate grades 7 and 8 from the Hawlemont Regional School by voting to accept an amendment, as proposed by the Hawlemont Regional District School Committee, to the Agreement establishing the Hawlemont Regional School District, such amendment to read as follows:

"Numbered paragraph 3 of the Agreement establishing the Hawlemont Regional School District is hereby amended by striking out the word 'eight' and inserting in place thereof the word 'six' so that numbered paragraph 3 shall read as follows:- 3. The Regional District School shall be an elementary school for grades one through six inclusive."

Article 2. Voted the town accept the provisions of sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a regional school district, together with the towns of Buckland, Colrain, Hawley, Heath, and Shelburne, and the construction, maintenance, and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 16, 1956

Article 1. Voted to transfer $200.00 from Welfare Account, $100.00 from Aid to Dependent Children, and $1,100.00 from Disability Assistance Account to Old Age Assistance Account.

Article 2. Voted to accept an amendment, as proposed by the Hawlemont Regional District School Committee, to the Agreement establishing the Hawlemont Regional School District, such amendment to read as follows:

"Numbered paragraphs 5(d) and 5(e) of the Agreement establishing the Hawlemont Regional School District are hereby amended by striking out paragraphs 5(d) and 5(e) and inserting in place thereof paragraph 5(d) to read as follows: 5(d) All school transportation shall be provided by the District, and the cost thereof shall constitute part of its operating costs."

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 29, 1956

Article 1. Voted to appropriate from available funds in the Treasury $3,500.00 for the Old Age Assistance Account.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

February 4, 1957

There follows a list of business to come before the annual town meeting. This list is a preliminary one and the final warrant, as posted, may contain additions or alterations.

The following officers are to be elected by ballot, for which purpose the polls will be open from 11:30 A.M. until 7:30 P.M.:

Clerk for one year
Treasurer for one year
Selectman for three years
Assessor for three years
Assessor for two years
School Committeeman for three years
Tax Collector for one year
Moderator for one year
Library Trustee for three years
Auditor for one year
Tree Warden for one year
Park Commissioner for three years
Mohawk Trail Regional School Committeeman for two years
Three Constables for one year

At 8:00 P.M. the meeting will be convened to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To act on the report of the Town Officers.

Article 2. To see if the Town will raise the following appropriations, as recommended by the Finance Committee:

$7,000.00	*Snow, Roads and Bridges*
1,000.00	*Welfare*
1,800.00	*Soldiers' Benefits*
1,200.00	*Disability Assistance*

600.00	*Aid to Dependent Children*
16,000.00	*Old Age Assistance*
1,900.00	*Miscellaneous*
1,700.00	*Town Hall*
2,300.00	*Fire Department*
1,170.00	*Street Lights*
360.00	*Legion Rooms*
738.80	*Franklin County Retirement System*
480.11	*Town Property Insurance*
300.00	*Town Vehicle Liability Insurance*
800.00	*Workmen's Compensation Insurance*
175.00	*Bonding Town Officers*
200.00	*Gypsy Moth and Dutch Elm Disease Suppression*
200.00	*Board of Health*
150.00	*Town Dump*
200.00	*Memorial Day*
100.00	*Christmas Fund*
100.00	*Interest*
50.00	*Swimming Classes*
35.00	*Old Cemeteries*
50.00	*Fairgrounds Maintenance*
50.00	*Civilian Defense*
25.00	*East Charlemont School*
300.00	*Police Department*
400.00	*Highway Department Vacations*
2,000.00	*Reserve Fund (From Overlay Surplus)*
28,355.00	*High School*
45,277.69	*Hawlemont Regional School, operations*
14,638.32	*Hawlemont Regional School, capital*
816.80	*Mohawk Trail Regional School District*

The following items do not require a vote, but nevertheless represent amounts which will have to be raised:

672.00	*Western Franklin Welfare District*
2,244.00	*Western Franklin Public Health District*
395.50	*Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center*

Article 3. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2,300.00 for Chapter 81 Highway maintenance, to be spent in conjunction with State funds amounting to $12,650.00.

Article 4. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 for Chapter 90 construction on North Heath Road, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $6,000.00.
(An appropriation of $3,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction on South River Road will be requested at a special Town Meeting.)

Article 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, including the installation of guard rail and bridge repairs, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $5,000.00.

Article 6. To see if the town will transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $5,500.00 to the 1957 Machinery Maintenance Account, to include the purchase of new equipment.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote the following annual salaries to the Town Officers and will raise and appropriate the sum of $4,900.00 for payment of the same, together with such clerical help as the Selectmen may authorize:

Selectmen	$300.00 each
Clerk	450.00
Treasurer	750.00
Tax Collector	600.00
Two Assessors	250.00 each
Clerk Assessor	350.00
Sealer	75.00
Inspector of Animals	75.00
Fire Chief	100.00

Dog Officer	15.00
Moderator	10.00
Historian	600.00

Article 8. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the installation of drain tile from Harmony Heights to Route 2.

Article 9. To see whether the town will, in the interests of economy, authorize the Board of Assessors to publish the list of tax valuations in the annual town report on a once-in-three-years basis, rather than annually.

Article 10. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the removal of snow from the sidewalks along Main Street. (This article by petition)

Article 11. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen, by private sale or otherwise, to dispose of the town's right, title and interest in a certain spring of water located in the Hart-Rice pasture, so-called, 350 feet west of Rice Brook.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen, by private sale or otherwise, to dispose of the town's right, title, and interest in the Fred L. Tyler property, so-called, consisting of a house and barn, located on the north side of Main Street adjacent to the Federated Church.

NOTE: In accordance with a ruling of the Director of Accounts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, it is no longer possible for the Town to remove snow from private driveways.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

General Cash in Treasury, January 1, 1956	$ 45,767.51	
Advertising	18.40	
Fence Damage	12.00	
Teacher's Retirement Refund	1.28	
Wildcat Bounty	50.00	
Skibiski Insurance	152.52	
District Court Fines	10.00	
Welfare District Postage	23.96	
Director of Standards	3.00	
Registrations Fees	.50	
Paul D. Egan, Telephone Service	3.75	
Interest on Deposit A	147.35	
Interest on Deposit B	50.75	
Borrowed Note	18,650.00	
Stanton Kendrick, Sealer's Fees	44.35	
Book on Firearms	.60	
Refund on Check	.30	
All Alcoholic Licenses	1,000.00	
All Alcoholic Seasonal Licenses	700.00	
Package Store Licenses	400.00	
Plantation Club License	250.00	
All Other Licenses & Permits	176.00	
Philemon Rice, Cemetery Fund Interest	4.66	
Potter Cemetery Fund Interest	30.23	
Sears, Mantor, & Lyman Cemetery Fund Interest	30.22	
S. W. Hawkes Cemetery Fund Interest	3.00	
F. M. Legate Cemetery Fund Interest	4.00	
F. W. Hawkes Library Fund Interest	25.15	
Maxwell Library Fund Interest	30.23	
Withholding Tax	3,240.14	
County of Franklin, Retirement	792.35	
County Treasurer, Refunds & Dog Licenses	624.46	
Tyler Memorial Fund, Interest	1,009.21	
Tyler Memorial Home Income	180.00	
Town Hall	610.00	
Fire Department Receipts	65.00	
State Treasurer, Com. Vets Services	663.91	
State Treasurer, Income Tax	2,560.95	
State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	4,058.02	
State Treasurer, Meal Tax Distribution	515.06	
State Treasurer, Live Stock Disease Control	37.50	
State Treasurer, Reimbursement for Lost Taxes	892.65	
		$82,939.01

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State Treasurer, O.A.A., State	$ 10,689.42	
State Treasurer, O.A.A., Federal	10,512.46	
State Treasurer, A.D.C., State	454.45	
State Treasurer, A.D.C., Federal	798.71	
State Treasurer, Disability Assistance, State	752.52	
State Treasurer, Disability Assistance Federal	512.86	
State Treasurer, General Relief	1,816.19	
Town of Deerfield, O.A.A.	91.03	
Town of Rowe, O.A.A.	454.42	
Town of Buckland, O.A.A.	97.41	
Town of Greenfield, O.A.A.	22.44	
O.A.A. Check Refund	33.15	
O.A.A. Check Returned	24.90	
		$26,259.96

SCHOOLS

State Treasurer, Education School Supts.	$ 4,013.80	
State Treasurer, Vocational Education	219.50	
State Treasurer, Transportation	9,261.42	
Stephen Leonard School Fund Interest	79.58	
Town of Rowe, Tuition	610.00	
Town of Hawley, Tuition	3,500.00	
Town of Heath, Tuition	2,030.00	
Town of Savoy, Tuition	140.00	
Jeanette Rich	10.00	
High School Athletic Funds	422.22	
State Treasurer, School Aid, Chapter 70	11,200.00	
		$31,486.52

HIGHWAYS

State Treasurer, Flood Relief	$ 6,068.43	
State Treasurer, Chapter 90 M	2,499.80	
State Treasurer, Chapter 90 C	7,400.00	
County Treasurer, Chapter 90 M	2,499.80	
County Treasurer, Chapter 90 C	2,100.00	
State Treasurer, Chapter 81	14,150.76	
Machinery Earnings	8,830.24	
		$43,549.03

TAXES

1953 Poll	$ 2.00	
1953 Personal	41.80	
1953 Real Estate	25.08	
1954 Poll	6.00	
1954 Personal	98.40	
1954 Real Estate	893.28	
1954 Motor Excise Tax	9.13	
1955 Poll	54.00	
1955 Personal	597.68	
1955 Real Estate	4,716.06	
1955 Motor Excise Tax	1,158.00	
1956 Poll	414.00	
1956 Personal	7,895.87	
1956 Real Estate	53,640.48	
1956 Motor Excise Tax	6,125.41	
Interest	236.06	
Warrants and Demands	29.25	
		$ 75,942.50
		$260,077.02

PAYMENTS

Selectmen's Warrants	$177,451.49	
School Department Warrants	37,219.28	
School Athletic Warrants	487.13	
General Cash in Treasury, Dec.31, 1956	44,919.12	
		$260,077.02

TOWN FUNDS HELD BY TREASURER

Fred W. Hawkes Library Fund	$ 1,000.00
Maxwell Library Fund	1,000.00
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	3,093.83
Stephen Leonard School Fund	2,869.00
Potter Cemetery Fund	1,000.00
Jennie Z. & Lewis Sears Cemetery Fund	500.00
M. Mantor and J. Lyman Cemetery Fund.	500.00
S. W. Hawkes Cemetery Fund	299.50
Frank M. Legate Cemetery Fund	227.39
Philomen Rice Cemetery Fund	185.74

Respectfully submitted

MARY L. CARPENTER, *Treasurer*

TOWN OF CHARLEMONT -BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1956

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Assets

Cash		$44,918.95
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1952:		
Real Estate		4.10
Levy of 1953:		
Personal Property	$ 22.80	
Real Estate	115.90	
		$ 138.70
Levy of 1954:		
Poll:	$ 4.00	
Personal Property	195.60	
Real Estate	524.72	
		$ 724.32
Levy of 1955:		
Poll	$ 32.00	
Personal Property	471.30	
Real Estate	1,004.96	
		$ 1,508.26
Levy of 1956:		
Poll	$ 82.00	
Personal Property	1,031.32	
Real Estate	7,491.66	
		$ 8,604.98

Liabilities and Reserves

Temporary Loan:		
In Anticipation of Reimbursement		$ 18,650.00
Employees' Payroll Deductions:		
County Retirement System		1.00
Tailings		19.00
Trust Fund Income:		
Leonard School Fund	$ 79.58	
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	520.64	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	4.66	
		604.88
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance Assistance	48.75	
Aid to Dependent Children Aid	67.61	
Old Age Assistance Assistance	438.00	
		$ 554.36
School Athletic Activities		$ 271.05
Appropriation Balance:		
Highways, Chapter 90 Construction South River Road		$ 1,861.70

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1954:	$ 97.64	
Levy of 1955:	403.70	
Levy of 1956:	2,402.16	
		$ 2,903.50
Taxes on Estates of Deseased Persons		368.88
Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$ 124.58	
Old Age Assistance	37.92	
School	222.99	
		$ 385.49
Aid to Highways:		
State	$14,655.19	
County	5,000.00	
		$ 19,655.19
Underestimates 1956:		
State Recreation Areas	87.32	
County Tax	336.53	
		$ 423.85
Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Emergency Snow Roads Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws	$ 1,999.02	
Emergency Old Age Assistance Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws	362.89	
Highways, Chapter 90, Maintenance	6,000.00	
		$ 8,361.91
		$ 87,998.13

Road Machinery Earnings		$ 16,306.09
Reserve Fund - Overlay Surplus		2,764.17
Overlays Reserved for Abatement:		
Levy of 1952:	$ 4.10	
Levy of 1953	138.70	
Levy of 1954	724.32	
Levy of 1955	1,420.48	
Levy of 1956	1,612.37	
		$ 3,899.97
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$2,903.50	
Special Tax	368.88	
Departmental	385.49	
Aid to Highways	6,000.00	
		$ 9,657.87
Surplus Revenue		33,408.04
		$87,998.13

TRUST ACCOUNT

Trust Funds:	
Cash and Securities	
In Custody of Town Treasurer	$ 14,075.45
In Custody of First National Bank and Trust Company, Greenfield	6,104.76
	$ 20,180.22

Stephen Leonard School Fund	$ 2,869.00	
Maxwell Library Fund	1,000.00	
Fred W. Hawkes Library Fund	1,000.00	
Fred L. Tyler Memorial Library Fund	6,493.83	
Potter Cemetery Fund	1,000.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	1,712.63	$14,075.46
Tyler Memorial Library Fund		6,104.76
		$20,180.22

MACHINERY EARNINGS - TOWN OF CHARLEMONT

	Snow, Roads & Bridges	Chapter 81	Harmony Hts. Extension	Chapter 90C So. River	Chapter 90 Maintenance	Town Dump	Emergency Flood Relief
Truck #1 Int.	$ 427.00	$ 473.86	$ 5.00	$ 160.00	$ 188.00	$.....	$ 96.00
Truck #2 Int.	522.00	390.00	7.50	312.00	219.00	.....	96.00
Truck #3 Int.	399.00	343.50	7.50	312.00	90.00	12.00	54.00
Tr. 1, T-D 6	15.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tr. 2, TD Bulldozer	78.00	489.50	10.00	520.00	20.00	20.00	180.00
Tr. 3, Farmall	301.50	384.00	.....	.....	27.00	.....	.....
Tr. 4- 0-88	320.00	206.00	8.00	360.00	296.00	16.00	192.00
Tr. Plow #3	100.50	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tr. Plow #4	26.00	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tr. Plow #5	5.00	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tr. Plow #6	95.00	14.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tr. Plow #7	102.00	11.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sander #1	75.00	14.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sander #2	21.50	4.50	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....
Scraper	.....	113.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....
Cement Mixer	.....	14.00	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....
Chain Saw	.....	18.00	.....	50.38	20.00	.....	.....
Maintainer	.....	4.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....
Sweeper	.....	35.00	.....	.....	42.00	.....	.....
	$2,487.50	$2,560.36	$ 39.00	$1,714.38	$ 937.00	$ 48.00	$ 618.00

MACHINERY EARNINGS — OUT OF TOWN

Town of Colrain	$ 57.00	Town of Monroe	99.00
Town of Hawley	61.00	Town of Rowe	106.75
Town of Heath	10.00	Hawlemont Regional School District	68.00
Town of Leyden	21.25	Miscellaneous	4.00
			$427.00

ALLOCATION OF CHAPTER 81 HIGHWAY FUNDS

Road No.	Scraping	Gravel	Drainage	Brush	Surface Treatment	Widening	Chloride	Slide	Totals
1. Zoar	.....	.....	$ 75.00	$ 15.00	.....	.....	.....	$ 10.00	$ 100.00
2. Rowe	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
3. North Heath	.....	.....	70.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00	105.00
4. Vincent	45.00	.....	30.00	5.00	.....	.....	35.47	.....	115.47
5 & 6. Warner Hill	155.00	120.00		95.00	.....	.....	35.47	.....	405.47
9. Burrington	200.00	288.60	613.77	5.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	1,117.37
10. Center Heath	30.00	300.00	80.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	410.00
11. Mountain	292.20	1,173.00	296.77	35.00	1,065.56	513.20	116.41	.....	3,492.14
12. Mountain Branch	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
13. South Heath	30.00	21.50	.....	20.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	81.50
14. Birch Lane	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
15. Mine	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16. Maxwell	260.00	348.00	45.00	40.00	.....	.....	35.47	.....	728.47
17. Wood	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
18. Hicks	45.00	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00
19. Legate Hill	174.60	1,623.25	867.16	10.00	559.22	263.20	45.47	.....	3,542.90
20. Phipps	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00
21. Laurel Lane	40.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00
22. Potter	50.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55.00
23. Tower	110.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	110.00
24. Ledge Lane	40.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00
25. Todd Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26. Cold River	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
28. West Hawley	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00
29. Chickley	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
30. South Chickley	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
31. South River	299.40	88.00	306.70	10.00	.....	.....	116.41	61.90	882.41
32. Dodge Corner	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
33. East Hawley	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
34. Warfield	.....	.....	30.00	.....	18.60	.....	.....	.....	48.60
35. Colonial Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00
36. Riddle	.....	.....	35.00	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	55.00
37. High	.....	.....	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00
38. Heath	.....	75.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	85.00

39.	Burnt Hill	150.00	111.05	30.00	.....	.....	.....	7.60	.....	298.65
40.	West Oxbow	300.00	111.00	50.00	10.00	.....	.....	106.41	.....	577.41
41.	East Oxbow	175.00	.....	50.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	240.00
42.	River View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43.	North River	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
44.	Colrain	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00
45.	Johnson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
46.	South Street	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00
47.	East Harmony	.....	.....	89.50	.....	95.00	.....	.....	.....	184.50
48.	North Street	.....	.....	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00
49.	Academy Lane	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
50.	Elm Street	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
51.	Mill Hollow	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
52.	Harmony Ave.	.....	.....	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00
53.	Rice Fort	.....	.....	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00
54.	Park Street	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
55.	Factory	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
56.	School	.....	.....	60.00	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	80.00
57.	Hawkes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
58.	Rowe Branch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
59.	Maple Terrace	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00
60.	Windy Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
61.	Hillandale	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		$2,581.20	$4,259.40	$3,093.90	$ 210.00	$1,798.38	$ 776.40	$ 528.71	$ 96.90	$13,344.89

Culvert Reserve	238.60
Snow and Ice Hazard	1,366.51
	$14,950.00

TOWN EXPENDITURES

CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	$ 2,350.00	
State Contract	12,650.00	
Superintendent		$ 1,536.90
Labor Payroll		5,113.95
Town Equipment		2,560.36
Hired Equipment		2,483.00
Gravel and Grit		635.36
Chloride		467.11
Culverts		759.84
Tar		1,169.22
Cinderblocks and lumber		98.26
Cement		126.00
Credit Balance		50.00
	$ 15,000.00	$15,000.00

SNOW, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Town Appropriation	6,000.00	
By Chapter 44 - Emergency Transfer	2,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	500.00	
Superintendent		$ 1,120..35
Labor Payroll		3,993.10
Town Equipment		2,487.50
Hired Equipment		17.00
Chloride		264.87
Sand		564.00
F. Deane Avery Associates		52.20
Credit Balance		.98
	$ 8,500.00	$ 8,500.00

HARMONY HEIGHTS EXTENSION

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Superintendent		$ 13.20
Labor Payroll		100.80
Town Equipment		38.00
Hired Equipment		136.00
Gravel		12.00
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

CHAPTER 90 Construction, South River Road

Town Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	
State Contract	4,000.00	
County Contract	2,000.00	
Carried forward from 1955	7,907.25	
Superintendent		$ 429.00
Labor Payroll		2,458.60
Town Equipment		1,714.38
Hired Equipment		7,785.50
Culverts		937.27
Gravel		605.50
Chloride		88.00
Tar		27.30
Credit Balance		1,861.70
	$ 15,907.25	$ 15,907.25

CHAPTER 90 Maintenance

Town Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
State Contract	3,000.00	
County Contract	3,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 603.90
Labor Payroll		2,162.05
Town Equipment		937.00
Hired Equipment		215.50
Reinforcing Rods, Flex Beams, & Posts		2,314.90
Tar		1,866.00
Sand & Gravel		598.65
Lumber		13.50
Cement		42.50
Paint		246.00
	$ 9,000.00	$ 9,000.00

FAIRGROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	62.20	
Labor Payroll		$ 18.00
Parts		8.61
Chloride		33.00
Paint		52.38
Credit Balance		.21
	$ 112.20	$ 112.20

INTEREST

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Shelburne Falls National Bank		$ 52.50
Credit Balance		47.50
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

TOWN DUMP

Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Superintendent		$ 13.20
Labor Payroll		21.60
Aubrey Rice		12.00
Town Equipment		48.00
Credit Balance		55.20
	$ 150.00	$ 150.00

EMERGENCY FLOOD RELIEF

Received from Emergency Flood Relief Board	$ 1,797.80	
To be received from the Emergency Flood Relief Board	429.70	
Town Machinery Disallowance	618.00	
Superintendent		$ 316.80
Labor Payroll		1,212.30
Town Equipment		618.00
Hired Equipment		232.00
Stone & Gravel		56.00
Tar		184.80
Cement Mix		224.00
Sacks		1.60
	$ 2,845.50	$ 2,845.50

MACHINERY

Town Appropriation (from Road Machinery Fund)	$ 6,100.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 12.80
Christine Turner - Rent		300.00
Superintendent		26.40
Labor Payroll		100.80
Gasoline		1,632.01
Oil		114.06
Diesel Fuel Oil		55.08
Kerosene		16.46
Grease and Oil		169.54
Miscellaneous Parts		1,345.33
Miscellaneous Repairs		1,211.72
Lubrication		42.90
Tires and Tubes		488.44
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		58.49
W.N. Potter Grain Stores, Inc.		37.95
Credit Balance		488.02
	$ 6,100.00	$ 6,100.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Town Appropriation	$ 600.00	
Federal Grant Balance brought forward from 1955	89.26	
Federal Grants for 1956	798.71	
2 Cases		$ 1,296.76
Transferred at Special Town Meeting to Old Age Assistance		100.00
Credit Balance Town Appropriation		23.60
Federal Grant Balance Carried Forward to Jan. 1, 1957		67.61
	$ 1,487.97	$ 1,487.97

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,400.00	
Federal Grant Balance Brought forward from 1955	81.79	
Federal Grants for 1956	512.86	
2 Cases		$ 1,696.46
Transferred at Special Town Meeting to Old Age Assistance		1,100.00
Credit Balance Town Appropriation		149.44
Federal Grant Balance Carried Forward to Jan. 1, 1957		48.75
	$ 2,994.65	$ 2,994.65

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 12,000.00	
Special Town Meetings	5,904.29	
1 Cancelled Check Town Appropriation	33.15	
1 Cancelled Check Federal Grants	24.90	
Federal Grant Balance Brought forward from 1955	22.16	
Federal Grants for 1956	10,512.46	
29 Cases		$ 27,417.56
Credit Balance Town Appropriation		641.40
Federal Grant Balance Carried Forward to Jan. 1, 1957		438.00
	$ 28,496.96	$ 28,496.96

WELFARE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,400.00	
2 Cases		$ 1,896.64
City of North Adams		220.00

Transferred at Special Town Meeting to Old Age Assistance		200.00
Credit Balance Town Appropriation		83.36
	$ 2,400.00	$ 2,400.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,600.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	6.52	
Three Cases		$ 1,606.52
	$ 1,606.52	$ 1,606.52

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Western Franklin Welfare District		$ 966.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Town Appropriation	$ 2,100.00	
Selectmen's Expense		$ 50.39
Town Clerk's Expense		29.49
Treasurer's Expense		69.75
Assessor's Expense		285.11
Tax Collector's Expense		123.20
Recorder-Gazette		18.40
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		125.18
Office Expense		22.21
Frank J. Wells - water rent		35.00
Avis Churchill - water rent		6.00
Printing Town Reports & Postage		713.95
Printing Ballots		31.10
Sheriff's and Constable's Expense		36.55
Regional District Planning Board		139.23
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		2.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expense		6.25
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett, & Trudell		153.90
Credit Balance		252.29
	$ 2,100.00	$ 2,100.00

TOWN HALL

Town Appropriation	$ 1,700.00	
Salary of Janitor		$ 720.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		133.44
Charlemont Oil Company		746.35
Repairs		61.40
Supplies		26.43
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
Credit Balance		2.38
	$ 1,700.00	$ 1,700.00

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Appropriation	$ 4,800.00	
Salary of Selectmen		$ 900.00
Salary of Town Clerk		450.00
Salary of Town Treasurer		750.00
Salary of Tax Collector		600.00
Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures		75.00
Salary of Clerk Assessor		350.00
Salary of Two Assessors		500.00
Salary of Fire Chief		100.00
Inspection of Animals		75.00
Inspection of Slaughtering		49.60
Moderator		10.00
Dog Officer		15.00
Salary of Historian		600.00
Ballot Clerks and Tellers		152.00
Office Clerk - Beda A. Langevin		158.50
Credit Balance		14.90
	$ 4,800.00	$ 4,800.00

CHRISTMAS FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Cariddi Sales Co.		$ 100.00
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

OLD CEMETERIES

Town Appropriation	$ 35.00	
Leavitt Cemetery Association		$ 12.00
Credit Balance		23.00
	$ 35.00	$ 35.00

EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 25.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 12.00
Credit Balance		13.00
	$ 25.00	$ 25.00

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Town Appropriation (Capital Outlay)	$ 15,072.82	
Town Appropriation	28,025.65	
Hawlemont Regional School District		$ 43,098.47
	$ 43,098.47	$ 43,098.47

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Transfer from Reserve Fund	$ 314.85	
Mohawk Trail Regional School District		$ 314.85
	$ 314.85	$ 314.85

SWIMMING CLASSES

Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Earl Barrett		$ 150.00
	$ 150.00	$ 150.00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Credit Balance		$ 50.00
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00

GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM SUPPRESSION

Town Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Credit Balance		$ 400.00
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

RESERVE FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	
Bonding Town Officers		$ 4.25
Workmen's Compensation		129.66
Fairgrounds Maintenance		62.20
Mohawk Trail Regional School District		314.85
Fire Department		150.00
Snow, Roads & Bridges		500.00
Veterans' Benefits		6.52
Credit Balance		832.52
	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Police Chief - Cyrus C. Annear		$ 265.67
Labor Payroll		41.26
Supplies		75.96
Credit Balance		17.11
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 1,795.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	150.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 26.10
Charlemont Oil Company		252.52
Labor Payroll		587.36
Equipment		128.13
Repairs		166.86
Lubrication		9.50
Fireman's Insurance		178.50
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
Inspection of Trucks		1.50
Tri-State Mutual Aid Membership		5.00
Transfer to Red Telephone System		577.97
Credit Balance		1.56
	$ 1,945.00	$ 1,945.00

STREET LIGHTS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,170.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 1,170.00
	$ 1,170.00	$ 1,170.00

LEGION ROOMS

Town Appropriation	$ 360.00	
I. O. O. F. Union Lodge - rent		$ 360.00
	$ 360.00	$ 360.00

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Western Franklin Public Health District	$ 2,244.00

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 858.00	
Franklin County Retirement System		$ 858.00
	$ 858.00	$ 858.00

LIBRARY

Town Appropriation	$ 700.00	
Librarian's Salary		$ 300.00
Campbell & Hall, Inc.		151.32
Nicholas Books		51.08
Gaylord Brothers		39.49
Blanche Hunt - Books		26.50

Moore Cottrell Subscription Agency.....		53.98
Tables and Chairs		69.61
Credit Balance		8.02
	$ 700.00	$ 700.00

INTEREST ON LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

From Maxwell Library Fund.....	$ 30.23	
From Fred W. Hawkes Fund.....	25.15	
Campbell and Hall, Inc.		$ 55.38
	$ 55.38	$ 55.38

TYLER LIBRARY

Town Appropriation.....	$ 180.00	
Income on Savings Account for 1956.....	209.21	
Withdrawn from Tyler Memorial Library Fund	279.36	
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett & Trudel		$ 417.00
Greenfield Wallpaper & Paint Co.		184.00
S. G. Gould.....		12.32
H. S. Tanner.....		55.25
	$ 668.57	$ 668.57

TOWN PROPERTY INSURANCE

Town Appropriation.....	$ 480.11	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Company...		$ 480.11
	$ 480.11	$ 480.11

LIABILITY INSURANCE ON TOWN VEHICLES

Town Appropriation.....	$ 287.12	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Company...		$ 287.12
	$ 287.12	$ 287.12

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Town Appropriation.....	$ 1,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund.....	129.66	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 1,129.66
	$ 1,129.66	$ 1,129.66

BONDING TOWN OFFICERS

Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	4.25	
H. A. Hicks Insurance Agency		$ 154.25
	$ 154.25	$ 154.25

BOARD OF HEALTH

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Dr. Merritt Low		$ 105.00
Mrs. George Coombs		45.00
Dinners for Personnel - Well Child Conference		9.48
Credit Balance		140.52
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Town Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Sanderson Academy Band		$ 75.00
Speaker - Attorney Boyle		25.00
Buglers		10.00
Flags and Wreaths		54.70
Refreshments		25.90
Credit Balance		9.40
	$ 200.00	$ 200.00

WITHHOLDING TAX

Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 3,240.14

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND

Franklin County Retirement System	$ 791.35

WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center	$ 364.00

CEMETERY FUNDS

Treasurer, Leavitt Cemetery	$ 7.00
Treasurer, Village Cemetery	60.45
	$ 67.45

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

State Treasurer, Auditing Town Accounts	$ 584.53
State Treasurer, Parks & Reservations	210.32
County Treasurer, Dog Licenses.....	302.00
County Treasurer, County Tax.....	5,306.80
	$ 6,403.65

DOG OFFICER'S EXPENSE

Dog Officer's Expense	$ 54.00

WILDCAT BOUNTY

5 Bounties	$ 50.00

COLLECTOR'S DEMANDS

Tax Collector's Demands.....	$ 32.05

POLL TAX REFUNDS

1 Refund for 1956 Tax.....	$ 2.00

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUNDS

1 Refund for 1956 Tax.....	$ 167.67

MOTOR EXCISE REFUNDS

2 Refunds for 1955 Tax.....	$ 31.15
11 Refunds for 1956 Tax.....	91.02
	$ 122.15

INSURANCE PAYMENT FOR TOWN TRUCK ACCIDENT

Leon H. Turner	$ 152.52

REPAYMENT OF LOAN

Shelburne Falls National Bank.....	$ 12,600.00

RECAPITULATION

Snow, Roads and Bridges	$ 8,499.02
Chapter 81	14,950.00
	300.00
Chapter 90 Construction - South River Road	14,045.55
Chapter 90 Maintenance	9,000.00
Fairgrounds Maintenance	111.99
Interest	52.50
Town Dump	94.80
Emergency Flood Relief	2,845.50
Machinery	5,611.98
Welfare	2,116.64
Veterans' Benefits	1,606.52
Disability Assistance	1,696.46
Old Age Assistance	27,417.56
Aid to Dependent Children	1,296.76
Western Franklin Welfare District Administration	966.00
Miscellaneous	1,847.71
Town Hall	1,697.62
Officers' Salaries	4,785.10
Police Department	382.89
Fire Department	1,943.44
Street Lights	1,170.00
Legion Rooms	360.00
Western Franklin Public Health Nursing Service	2,244.00
Employees Retirement Fund	858.00
Library	747.36
Tyler Library	668.57
Town Property Insurance	480.11
Liability Insurance on Town Vehicles	287.12
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	1,129.66
Bonding Town Officers	154.25
Board of Health	159.48
Memorial Day	190.60
Christmas Fund	100.00
Old Cemeteries	12.00
East Charlemont School	12.00
Hawlemont Regional School District	43,098.47
Mohawk Trail Regional School District	314.85
Swimming Classes	150.00
Withholding Tax	3,240.14
Franklin County Retirement Fund	791.35
Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center	364.00
Cemetery Funds	67.45
State and County Taxes	6,403.65
Motor Excise Refunds	122.15
Poll Tax Refunds	2.00
Real Estate Tax Refunds	167.67
Dog Officer's Expense	54.00
Collector's Demands	32.05
Shelburne Falls National Bank	12,600.00
Wild Cat Bounties	50.00
Insurance Payment for Town Truck Accident	152.52
	$177,451.49

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The Charlemont Board of Assessors report the following valuation for 1956:

	Personal	Real
Adams, Carroll	$ 80.00	$
Adams, Dorothy		3,465.00
Adams, Glenn E.	760.00	
Adams, Glenn E. & Dorothy L.		7,020.00
Adams, N. Eugene & Eva M.		5,145.00
Adler, Pearl I.		6,010.00
Adler, Ralph E. & Florence B.		300.00
Albee, John E.		1,300.00
Aldrich, Allie C.		4,525.00
Anderson, Mrs. Andres		1,595.00
Anderson, Raymond A.		450.00
Andrews, Warren & Irene		1,390.00
Angeli, Emma		3,420.00
Annear, Cyrus C.		4,085.00
Anthony, Arthur J.		100.00
Askew, Doris & Smith, Gene E.		2,345.00
Atkins, Ralph E. & Doris B.		1,900.00
August, George	190.00	
Avery, A. L. & Son	14,200.00	
Avery, Francis W.		6,115.00
Avery, Henry L., Jr.		4,765.00
Avery, Henry L.		12,220.00
Avery, Henry L.		5,335.00
Avery, Henry L.		2,670.00
Avery, Henry L.		2,570.00
Avery, Henry L.		3,415.00
Avery, Henry L.		375.00
Babcock, Henry H. & Daniel E.		1,225.00
Baker, Agnes Brown	150.00	6,610.00
Ballard, David J.	1,560.00	
Ballard, Ruth K. Barbara & David K.		7,020.00
Bannish, John E.		5,070.00
Barrett, Earl B. & Ella M.	1,200.00	14,100.00
Baxter, Charles		1,510.00
Bicknell, Fred O.		3,575.00
Bilhoefer, John A. & Ruthetta S.	450.00	3,145.00
Bissland, James H. & Elsie C.		7,395.00
Bliss, Marion E. & Verne E. Jr.		3,000.00
Booth, Robert	50.00	280.00
Booth, William A.		675.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		6,850.00
Boullie, William J.	650.00	
Boullie, William J. & Anna T.		2,750.00
Boullie, William J. & Anna T.		675.00

	Personal	Real
Bowen, Helen M.	1,230.00	8,715.00
Brant, James R. & Lorna B.		2,350.00
Breen, Roy H.		3,080.00
Bremer, Ruth M.		4,315.00
Brown, Frank S. & Rita H.		2,270.00
Brunalli Construction Co.	8,000.00	
Burger, Celia A.		1,240.00
Burnett, Arnold K. & Lucy E.		2,540.00
Burnett, Norman A. & Phyllis J.		3,175.00
Burnett, Wilbur L.	700.00	3,535.00
Burrington, Frederick W. & Sumner, Ralph C.		640.00
Burt, Eva Morrison		1,455.00
Burt, Harold	2,480.00	
Burt, Harold A. & Marie		3,840.00
Burt, William R.		4,925.00
Calanan, Charles L. & Valida A.		1,155.00
Carlson, John B.	200.00	
Carlson, John R.		4,435.00
Carpenter, Mary L.		2,930.00
Carroll, Fred W.	3,100.00	
Carroll, Fred W. & Louise		6,470.00
Cetto, Enrico		3,145.00
Champlin, Ray E. & Harriet M.		1,525.00
Charlemont Plantation, Inc.		4,415.00
Chisholm, Sidney M.	1,500.00	
Chisholm, Sidney M. & Thelma G.		22,850.00
Churchill, Avis M.		2.940.00
Churchill, Merritt H.		100.00
Clark, Francis J., Laurence A. & Horace		4,510.00
Clark, Horace T.		6,160.00
Clark, Inez T.		6,285.00
Clark, Laurence A.		4,500.00
Clark, Merle B. & Gladys B.		6,085.00
Coates, Allen M. & Sylvia B.		625.00
Connelly, Joseph P.		1,000.00
Crocker, Frederick H.		1,615.00
Cronk, Paul B. & Irene L.		1,325.00
Cummings, Francis H. Trustee, Moore Estate		750.00
Dally, Aristides K.		21,265.00
Davenport, Carlton P.		1,080.00
Davenport, James P.		375.00
Davenport, Louis A. & Ellen A.		3,370.00
Davenport, William A.		400.00
Dean, Fred E. & Blanche		2,000.00
Dean, Russell & Irene		1,985.00
DiBenedetto, Salvatore & Marion		500.00
Dickinson, Alice G.	155.00	3,365.00
Dickinson, Edgar G. & Ruth A.		2,285.00

	Personal	Real
Dickinson, Richard R.	75.00	250.00
Dickinson, Richard R. & Ethel May		3,370.00
Dimick, George H. & Ella J.		3,625.00
Dimick, John H.		2,375.00
Dimick, John H.		2,450.00
Dion, Jennie M. & Donald G.		1,100.00
Dunlop, Leslie R. & Marion E.	800.00	1,960.00
Earle, Ralph		940.00
Elliot, William S.		500.00
Ellsworth, Bernice		2,790.00
Ellsworth, Horace E.	600.00	160.00
Ellsworth, Horace E. & Bernice S.		3,910.00
Falandes, Maxillian & Katherine		6,775.00
Feder, Sidney J. & Ethel G.		4,445.00
Fisk, Emma W.		5,030.00
Fitzroy, Alton P., Jr. & Lois M.		4,120.00
Fitzroy, Herbert H.	2,650.00	
Foliated Talc. Co.		200.00
Formosi, Diomede	210.00	
Formosi, Mrs. Ellen Ellery		2,700.00
Forsberg, Harold S.	1,000.00	
Forsberg, Harold S.		6,050.00
Frame, Ralph I. & Nellie E.		100.00
Freiberg, Edward & Sarah		7,250.00
Frisbie, Joseph C. & Shirley S.		4,165.00
Fusco, William et al		1,000.00
Galvin, Leon R. & Doris M.		2,460.00
Garcia, Elsie	150.00	
Garcia, Elsie G.		1,440.00
Gibson, Herbert D. & Constance D.		2,550.00
Giffin, Newell S. & Gail I.		1,000.00
Gilbert, Fred J. & Marjorie E.		4,310.00
Gilbert, George J. & Aldea M.		3,920.00
Gilbert, Mabel H. & Charles J.		4,545.00
Gingras, Lillian G.	1,000.00	6,025.00
Gleason, Francis		455.00
Goddard, S. Stuart	445.00	
Goddard, S. Stuart & Annie E.		10,610.00
Goodwin, Charles W.	700.00	
Goodwin, Charles W. & Katherine		4,750.00
Gorman, Roy S.		3,290.00
Gould, Albert L.	1,805.00	
Gould, Albert L. & Dorothy M.		8,385.00
Gould, Grace C.		$ 5,315.00
Gould, Syril G.	2,500.00	
Gould, Syril G. & Hazel M.		8,770.00
Gray, Charlotte et al		700.00
Greenfield Cooperative Bank		3,050.00
Gribbon, George H.	175.00	
Gribbon, George H. & Barbara		3,605.00

	Personal	Real
Grover, Albina A.		4,520.00
Hallahan, William E.	3,450.00	4,595.00
Halligan, Burdette G. & Mabel E.		3,405.00
Hamilton, Evelyn C.		3,390.00
Harmon, James B.		2,255.00
Harris, Alfred E.	1,630.00	
Harris, Edward R., Jr. & Elizabeth M.		8,660.00
Harris, Ethel M.		630.00
Harris, Ethel M. & Alfred E.		4,680.00
Harris, Herbert R.	150.00	1,820.00
Harris, Herman F.	605.00	835.00
Harris, Herman F. & Esther G.		3,495.00
Harwood, Clarence B.		3,195.00
Hathaway, Arthur L.		2,850.00
Hawkes, Norman W. & Ruth S.		5,150.00
Hawthorn, Donald, Trustee Crowle Mt. Club		500.00
Healy, Allen		160.00
Healy, John J.		32,555.00
Healy, Winston	3,770.00	7,610.00
Heist, Claude W. & Linna L.		2,595.00
Heist, Paul E. & Phyllis L.		2,290.00
Henderson, Kenneth	500.00	
Henderson, Kenneth W. & Charlotte W.		4,410.00
Henderson, Walter A. & Lenabel M.		3,850.00
Hicks, Ray C.	4,940.00	9,645.00
Hicks, Roy A.	2,095.00	
Hicks, Roy A. & Ethel M.		3,785.00
Hogaman, Hazel M.		3,265.00
Howes, Earle K. & Leora M.		4,600.00
Hunkler, Harley D.		3,530.00
Hunkler, Lawrence		1,830.00
Hunkler, Mrs. Rosa		2,130.00
Hunt, Blanche L.		3,365.00
Hutchinson, Esther C.		2,355.00
Hyytine, Reino A. & Virginia B.		1,335.00
Jackson, Charles B.		3,590.00
Johnson, Marshall A.	1,300.00	
Johnson, Marshall A. & Rebecca P.		8,160.00
Jones, Walter E.		1,400.00
Kendrick, Stanton	1,035.00	
Kendrick, Stanton C. et al		9,275.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.	3,900.00	29,400.00
Kenyon, Alfred R. & Dorothy		3,410.00
King, Mrs. Grace		5,155.00
King, Robert J. & Geneva A.		2,000.00
Kirchlechner, Frank	180.00	1,010.00
Koonchaug Building Assoc.		2,000.00
Koncal, William C.		1,490.00
Ladd, Charles F. & Judith A.		1,010.00

	Personal	Real
Langevin, Harold J. & Beda A.		4,525.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose	600.00	12,260.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		3,000.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,200.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,315.00
Laramee, Lawrence L. & Eugenia B.		1,900.00
Lee, Frank H.		3,955.00
Lees, Mrs. Minnie		1,000.00
Legate, Annie		450.00
Legate, Harry F.		3,930.00
Legate, Mrs. Ida		580.00
Liese, Cyrus C., Jr.	750.00	
Liese, Cyrus C. & Elaine S.		4,125.00
Liese, Cyrus C. & Elaine S.		5,675.00
Lilly, Sarah		1,210.00
Lively, Clovis N. & Celena J.		1,000.00
Lively, Elise & Trudell, William S.		2,460.00
Longley, Lawrence A. & Julia M.		1,620.00
Longridge Co., Inc.		1,000.00
Lowensberg, William	330.00	120.00
Lyman, Geraldine H.		5,635.00
Magnant, Lester L. & Lauraine E.		3,115.00
Malcolm, David J.		5,340.00
Mann, T.S. Lumber Co., Inc.		1,950.00
Martin, Carol		585.00
Martin, Edward H. & Ruby T.		3,250.00
Massoth, William H. & Victoria M.	300.00	6,630.00
Massoth, William H. & Victoria M.		5,000.00
Maynard, Earle O.		2,190.00
Maynard, John W. & Beverly L.		2,440.00
McCloud, Everett B. & Marion		3,890.00
McGinnis, Lucile Whitney	2,000.00	20,940.00
McHaffie, John W.		2,360.00
McHaffie, John W., Jr. & Lois E.		3,560.00
McKane, Edward	1,500.00	
McKane, Edward P. & Helen		4,600.00
McKinstry, Roger E.	800.00	
McKinstry, Roger E. & Doris		8,935.00
Miller, Arthur L. & Clark, Francis J.		390.00
Miller, Helen W.	1,000.00	3,995.00
Montagna, John A., Trustee, Camp Comprestre		300.00
Moriarty, John M.	500.00	2,620.00
Muller, Peter J.		7,420.00
Mulville, Edward G. & O'Neil, Herbert P.		8,090.00
Murphy, Margaret		400.00
Murray, Harry E. & Isabelle		700.00
Myers, I. R. & Sons	75.00	
Newell, Ralph F.		2,905.00
New England Power Co.	7,240.00	72,900.00

	Personal	Real
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	24,500.00	
Nilman, Carl H.		850.00
Noga, Henry C. & Nina A.		4,065.00
Norcross, Ora Marie		6,970.00
Norman, Joseph W. & Cordelia M.		700.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.	41,000.00	
Padula, Violet		500.00
Palmer, Paul W. & Clarinda		3,030.00
Pappas, Stanford C.	1,200.00	
Pappas, Stanford C. & Elizabeth L.		5,500.00
Parker, Floyd A. & Lorena		3,355.00
Parker, James L.	1,625.00	
Parker, James L. & Ruby Lenora		5,025.00
Parker, Percy J.		2,275.00
Pecor, Harmon	200.00	
Pierguide, Serefino		1,100.00
Pierson, William D.	4,000.00	15,430.00
Pike, Sherman	300.00	
Pike, Sherman T. & Elizabeth G.		10,590.00
Pitman, Elise		3,985.00
Plantation House, Inc.		7,880.00
Pleshaw, Charles		1,970.00
Pleshaw, Gervin D. & Gladys		4,300.00
Potter, W.N. Grain Co.	350.00	11,120.00
Powers, Charles E.		1,200.00
Pratt, Clement T.		550.00
Purinton, Albert T.	570.00	
Purinton, Albert T. & Veda E.		3,930.00
Purinton, Harry L.	500.00	
Purinton, Harry L. & Thelma G.		1,645.00
Purinton, Raymond A.		400.00
Purrington, Gordon		600.00
Quillinan, Clayton F. & Ralph L.		1,415.00
Raymond, Donald W. & Katherine		3,570.00
Raymond, Gerald T. & Bessie P.		2,300.00
Redard, R. John & Phyllis Redge		4,610.00
Reed, Claude & Bonnelyn		420.00
Rice, Aubrey L.	1,100.00	
Rice, Aubrey L. & Amelia A.		4,470.00
Rice, Floyd A. & Josephine		2,050.00
Rice, James A. & Flora E.		5,660.00
Rice, Kenneth R. & Marie M.		1,215.00
Rich Lumber Co., Inc.		1,000.00
Richards, Mrs. Sarah A.F.		2,815.00
Richmond, Earl L. & Hazel		5,800.00
Rickert, Frank J. & Margaret M.		4,110.00
Ringchrist, George & Edna May		3,640.00
Rivers, Rena		5,535.00
Robinson, Thurman W. & Clara T.		1,300.00
Rowe, Frederick		1,660.00

	Personal	Real
Rowe, Frederick, Lot, Dennis		5,040.00
Rowe Lumber Co., Inc.		370.00
Russell, Mary C.		1,345.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,775.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,710.00
Ryder, Russell W. & Elizabeth G.		1,790.00
Sandri, Arcilo		3,000.00
Schaefer, Paul E. & Sophia		390.00
Schecterle, William G. & Gertrude G.		2,650.00
Schultz, Harold J.		160.00
Sears, John H.	50.00	
Sears, Mabel V.		4,825.00
Shaw, Harry P.		4,875.00
Shaw, Harry P. & Mary		1,400.00
Shaw, Lincoln		1,690.00
Sherman, Cecil		670.00
Sherman, Elmer		315.00
Sherman, Floyd		465.00
Sherman, James M., Jr.		525.00
Sherman, Mrs. Lena M.		745.00
Sherman, Madeline		50.00
Shields, Edward G. & Gertrude I.		4,080.00
Shukis, Dominic S., Jr.	850.00	
Shukis, Dominic S., Jr. & Stella B.		8,165.00
Simmons, Arthur A. & Clara S.		1,460.00
Simmons, Mary W.	750.00	7,805.00
Simmons, Mary W.		1,300.00
Slaunwhite, Stuart E.	2,315.00	3,325.00
Smart, Fred A.		3,825.00
Smith, Frederick A. & Margaret E.		4,050.00
Smith, H. Parker	250.00	
Smith, H. Parker & Beth T.		3,350.00
Smith, J. Roger	320.00	
Smith, J. Roger et al		3,290.00
Spear, Elbert F. & Winifred E.		5,940.00
Spoffords Motors, Inc.		2,325.00
Stacy, Helen B.		300.00
Stafford, William P. & Grace M.		4,185.00
Streeter, Charles E.	150.00	
Streeter, Charles E. & Marjorie T.		6,915.00
Svendsen, Sigurd & Bodhil		3,795.00
Sykes, Robert E.		1,675.00
Tanner, Richard & Homer		5,235.00
Tarvin, James E.	3,370.00	
Tarvin, James E. & Lena W.		12,540.00
Taylor, Archie F.	125.00	3,485.00
Taylor, Theron S. & Verena Mary		6,325.00
Temple, John B.		545.00
Thompson, Mrs. Jane		3,040.00
Thunder Mountain Ski Assoc.	1,000.00	
Tilley, Wilson L. & Priscilla E.		5,275.00
Tinney, Floyd F.	175.00	2,140.00

	Personal	Real
Tinney, Lawrence S.	60.00	1,020.00
Tinney, Lawrence S., Jr.	100.00	
Tower, Mabel A.		5,205.00
Trustees Congregational Soc.		915.00
Trustees I.O.O.F.		6,460.00
Trustees Leavitt Cemetery		600.00
Turner, Christine M.		9,230.00
Turner, Christine M.		1,580.00
Turner, Dora E. & Leon A.		3,670.00
Turner, Dora E. & Leon A.		1,910.00
Turner, Leon A.	3,300.00	
Turner, William C.		2,400.00
Van Nostrand, Lawrence T.		4,910.00
Veber, Laura M. & Leon H.		1,625.00
Vincent, Leslie I.		3,750.00
Wagner, Gloria J.	150.00	5,045.00
Wagner, Joseph A.	185.00	
Wagner, Joseph A. & Gloria J.		4,730.00
Walsh, Mary E.		2,815.00
Ware, Alice F.		2,000.00
Warfield, Horace E.	865.00	13,770.00
Warner, Charles L. & Ruth S.		5,860.00
Warner, Daniel		375.00
Warner, Mary E.		3,665.00
Wells, Alice L.		5,670.00
Wells, Frank J.	5,500.00	15,350.00
Westcott, Mona R.		4,700.00
Western New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		3,005.00
Western Union Tel. Co.	2,500.00	
West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co., Inc.		1,100.00
Wetherbee, Roger E. & Emily M.		1,725.00
Wheeler, Daniel G.	180.00	5,595.00
Whipple, Olin E.	2,200.00	1,100.00
Whipple, Olin E. & Ruth McFall		5,245.00
Whitaker, Ernest	195.00	
Whitaker, Ernest W. & Tilley		2,680.00
White, Harold T.	200.00	150.00
Wilbur, Stephen C.		2,130.00
Willard, James R.	880.00	8,340.00
Willey, Belle	300.00	
Willey, Belle A. & Turner, Dora E.		4,350.00
Willey, Belle A. & Turner, Dora E.		3,820.00
Willey, Belle A. & Turner, Dora E.		5,085.00
Willey, Belle A. & Turner, Dora E.		5,100.00
Willey, Belle A. & Turner, Dora E.		2,930.00
Willey, Belle A. & Turner, Dora E.		675.00
Willis, Roger W. & Marjorie A.		9,355.00
Wilson, Raymond W. & Mildred C.		4,505.00
Wood, Darwin C. & Eleanor P.		2,790.00
Young, Florence M.		6,085.00
Young, Florence M.		935.00
Young, Florence M.		100.00

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TO: Henry L. Avery
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The Cover Photograph

The picture on our cover this year is Mill Hill Road with Bissell Bridge in the distance, a road which we widened and repaired this past spring.

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Term Expires 1957

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Term Expires 1957

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Term Expires 1959

AVIS M. CHURCHILL
Term Expires 1958

FINANCE COMMITTEE

D.A. LANOUE, Chairman
Term Expires 1957

NORMAN HAWKS
Term Expires 1959

LESLIE VINCENT
Term Expires 1958

AUDITOR
HARRY F. LEGATE

TREE WARDEN
ROY BREEN

CONSTABLES

PAUL CETTO

ROGER E. McKINSTRY

CHARLES PURINTON

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

FRANK J. WELLS

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

WILBUR BURNETT

CLERK TO TOWN OFFICERS

BEDA A. LANGEVIN

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT NURSE

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R.N.

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

PHILIP DIBENEDETTO

DOG OFFICER
LAWRENCE TINNEY

SUPERINTENDENT,
GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

ROY A. HICKS

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS
ROGER E. McKINSTRY

INSPECTOR OF WIRES
D.A. LANOUE

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

ROY A. HICKS

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

ROY A HICKS

WILBUR L. BURNETT

FENCE VIEWERS

MARSHALL F. JOHNSON

HARRY F. HAWKES

FIELD DRIVERS AND POUND KEEPERS

MARSHALL F. JOHNSON
THERON S. TAYLOR, SR.

WEIGHERS

HARRY F. LEGATE
THERON S. TAYLOR, SR.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

WILLIAM C. TURNER
HERMAN F. HARRIS

MEASURERS OF LUMBER

WILLIAM C. TURNER
HERMAN F. HARRIS
OLIN WHIPPLE
AUBREY L. RICE
CHARLES W. GOODWIN

CHIEF OF POLICE

CYRUS C. ANNEAR, SR.

VETERANS' AGENT

ROBERT E. SCOTT

BURIAL AGENTS

LAWRENCE S. TINNEY
ROBERT E. SCOTT

CUSTODIAN TOWN HALL

LAWRENCE S. TINNEY

SPECIAL POLICE

LINCOLN SHAW
PAUL HEIST
LAWRENCE TINNEY
HAROLD J. LANGEVIN
EDWARD STAFFORD
CHARLES GILBERT
CYRUS C. ANNEAR, JR.
HAROLD SHUMWAY
ROBERT H. JACKMAN
WILLIAM C. TURNER
CHARLES E. STREETER
WALTER HUNT
NORMAN HAWKES
WILSON TILLEY
RAYMOND G. WILLIS
ROBERT E. AVONDO

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

PAUL HEIST

JURY LIST
1958

ANN E. DOYLE, Housewife

GRACE C. GOULD, Housewife

WILLIAM P. STAFFORD, Lineman, Northern Berkshire Electric Co.

RICHARD H. TANNER, Laborer

FRED W. CARROLL, Lumberman

EARLE K. HOWES, Painter

ROGER E. McKINSTRY, Motel Owner

LAWRENCE BURRINGTON, Employee, Red Rose Restaurant

GLENN E. ADAMS, Poultryman

LEON H. TURNER, Mechanic

THERON TAYLOR, SR., Employee, Wirthmore Stores

ERNEST R. HICKS, Employee, Kendall Mills

HARRY F. LEGATE, Manager, Wirthmore Stores

TOWN CALENDAR

1958

Jan.	14	Last Registration of Voters before Town Meeting
Feb.	3	TOWN MEETING
Mar.	30	Last day for filing Seasonal Liquor Licenses
Mar.	31	Dog Licenses – Expiration Date
Apr.	6	Easter Sunday
May	30	Memorial Day
June	13	Elementary School Closes
June	20	High School Closes
July	4	Independence Day
Sept.	1	Labor Day
Sept.	3	School opens
Oct.	31	Last day for payment of Town Taxes without penalty.
Nov.	27	Thanksgiving Day
Nov.	30	Last day for filing Liquor License renewals
Dec.	25	Christmas Day
Dec.	29	Last day for filing Nomination Papers for Election of Town Officers

1959

Jan.	13	Last day for registration before Town Meeting
Feb.	2	Town Meeting

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

As 1957 draws to a close, it finds us with no Regional High School in sight after many meetings and quite some money spent, to say nothing of the committee headaches, but eventually we suppose it will be settled.

In accordance with the town's authorization at the last annual meeting, an attempt was made to dispose of the Tyler property on Main Street. Bids for purchasing this real estate were invited, but none was forthcoming.

An agreement has been reached to sell the old school spring west of Rice Brook to the Carroll Lumber Company for $100. A deed for same is now being prepared.

The 1957 meeting also appropriated $500 for diversion of surface water away from a private spring located just east of Harmony Heights Road. In view of the fact that the cost of the pipe required nearly exhausted the appropriation, and that the abuttors who were being damaged by surface water showed a willingness to wait a little longer before insisting on changes, nothing further has been done in the matter.

This year's highway program was carried out under the good management of Paul Heist. As in the past, Chapter 90 money was spent on South River Road. If we live long enough we will get to the Buckland line.

We put up some guard rail and we need a lot more.

Sometimes we think we are not gaining on the roads but as we look back ten years we can see a lot of improvement. After a long, drawn out wait, we finally got help to repair Mill Hill road. It has been widened and has new cribbing. Look under the Superintendent's of Highways report for more detailed account of the highways.

Our machinery is in good shape, though we should trade in one truck as it it getting old. Our new road grader is working out very satisfactorily.

The town dump continues to be a problem. Many people prefer to dump their rubbish in the road rather than over the bank. We want to say, though, the dump has been kept the best this past year than it ever has due to the efforts of Albert Maynard, for which we want to thank him.

Every year as we make up the budget for the coming year, we find it harder to keep the costs down.

The Yankee Doodle Days, sponsored by the Lions Club, this year was a greater success than ever before. It is very fortunate that we have the old fairgrounds, so that it can be so successful.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. PIERSON
HORACE E. WARFIELD
WINSTON HEALY

Board of Selectmen

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Herewith is submitted the ninth annual report of the Finance Committee.

The Committee has met several times during the year. Authorization of necessary transfers of funds from the Reserve Fund to other accounts has been given. These transfers are shown in the Town Expenditures elsewhere in the report.

The Committee has met with the Selectmen in preparing the 1958 budget. We have worked with the mutual interest of the taxpayer in mind for an efficient and yet economical budget.

With the termination of Mrs. Winifred Spear's service as clerk assessor, the assessors have requested a meeting place to carry on their work, as previously they have met in Mrs. Spear's home. Various possibilities were considered, but the final solution has been that the assessors use the Selectmen's office, thereby eliminating any expense of alterations in making an office for them,or paying of rent, thus raising the town's obligations.

The Finance Committee wishes to stress the importance of the voters studying the financial report for the year, as well as the articles in the warrant for the annual town meeting.

One article, by petition, asks that the town construct a road to Carroll's Lumber Mill on Harmony Heights.

In another article, the question of rent or provision of a meeting place for the American Legion and Auxiliary is to be voted upon. In bringing up this article, the Selectmen have considered that for the rent equivalent to what is now being paid to the Odd Fellows, previously the Legion quarters were available to various other groups and organizations of the town, which is no longer true.

The Department of Natural Resources of the Commonwealth has notified us that our share of the Gypsy Moth and Dutch Elm Disease Control for 1958 is $671.04. This represents 1/15 of 1% of the town's valuation. Previous to 1957, when $400.00 was appropriated for this work, no sum larger than $200 had been raised to combat this problem.

It is the hope of the Finance Committee that every voter will familiarize himself with the articles of the town meeting warrant and their meanings, so that votes may be made for the best interest of our town.

D. A. LANOUE
NORMAN HAWKES
LESLIE VINCENT

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

1957 was a year of little rainfall, extremely dry woodlands, and major forest fires throughout our state. Your fire department waited with crossed fingers as the Governor was forced to close the woods and major fires swept over Cape Cod and the Quabbin area. Finally, rains came and we all breathed a sigh of relief that disaster had not struck close to home. The fire calls that we did answer, minor in comparison, numbered seventeen, twelve local and five out of town. We cannot deny that we feel that this was a very fortunate year.

The fact that there is little of a spectacular nature, such as jets crashing on Tea Street, to report, affords me a chance to tell of some of the other activities your department participates in, all of which we feel are beneficial to the community.

The officers under Chief Frank Wells are Kenneth Henderson, assistant chief and president; Roger Willis, vice president; and Ray Willis, secretary-treasurer. On our regular meeting nights, the second Monday of each month, we hold discussions on var-

ious phases of fire fighting, the advisability of purchasing new equipment, repairing old equipment, community projects, and training programs for firemen. Drills are held periodically to test new methods and equipment.

This year we again sponsored the Little Leaguers, who had another fine season under Coach Joseph Kolnacki. Who could refuse giving them a few coins or a dollar as they held their own tag day and raised money for protective insurance and new equipment.

Again successful were the Red Cross swimming classes held during the summer at Barrett's pool. To help defray some of the expense of the classes we held for the first time a food sale at the fire house. Donations from the firemen's wives and mothers of children taking swimming lessons were plentiful and were quickly consumed by local shoppers and hungry tourists.

In March the Ladies Aid served our annual banquet. Firemen from Rowe, Heath, and Florida were invited. We all enjoyed a fine meal and excellent entertainment.

New equipment added this year to the department included two portable radios for faster communication at all fires, a new engine in the high pressure truck, and flashing red lights for the rear of both trucks.

We participated again this year in Yankee Doodle Days and many people enjoyed the dance on Bissell Bridge sponsored by the department.

To round out the year's activities we held a fine banquet, to which the ladies were invited, at the Old House. We were served an excellent turkey dinner and after the meal enjoyed a program of entertainment.

Thus, we have ended another year with the hope that we have served the community well. As we start yet another year we feel that we will do even better in fulfilling our obligations of public welfare and protection and thank the people of Charlemont for their continued faith in us.

Respectfully submitted,

RAY C. WILLIS, Secretary

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

The year of 1957 has been a very good one, we have removed eighty inches of snow from the highways and used one thousand one hundred yards of sand for snow and ice control.

At times when there is a slack period we are cutting brush trimming trees. The following roads have been worked on: North River, Johnson, Colrain, East Oxbow, East Hawley and West Hawley.

CHAPTER 81

The regular routine work of scraping, drainage and brush on all Chapter 81 roads. We have been able to gravel patch some of the rough spots. The following roads we have made improvements on are the Burrington, gravel 1200 feet x 20 feet x 12 inches; Maxwell, gravel 500 feet x 18 feet x 12 inches; Tower, gravel 600 feet x 18 feet x 12 inches and Legate Hill, 2000 feet x 18 feet x 12 inches.

Surface treatment Mountain, Sta. 36-00 to 45+00, two coats of MC 3 over 1956 gravel surface; Legate Hill Sta. 78+50 to 112+50, two coats of MC 3 over 18 inch gravel base; Mountain Sta. 21+50 to 36+00, 1/3 coat of MC 5 seal and Legate Hill Sta. 57+00 to 67+5, 1/3 coat of MC 5 seal.

Out of 46.21 miles of town highways there are 23.90 miles bituminous and 22.31 miles in dirt.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION – SOUTH RIVER

The town had two contracts on South River this year, one from Weatherby Bridge to the south of $8000 and one from Pecors to end of 1956 work of $2400. On the $8000 contract we started at Sta. 64+50 and went to Sta. 87+50 constructing a 24 foot road and put two coats of MC 3 to seal it over. On the $2400 contract it started at Sta. 23+50 to 48+50, with 2 coats of MC 3 and one coat of MC 5. All oil was covered with 3/8" grits from Northfield Sand and Gravel.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

A contract for $7500 and the following roads have been seal coated with MC 5 and 3/8 grit. Zoar, Sta. 100-00 to 137+50; North Heath, Sta. 80+00 to 141+50; West Hawley, Sta. 0+00 to 26+50; East Hawley, Sta. 0+00 to 32+00 and Heath, Sta. 70+00 to 85+00.

The bridges we have painted, repaired and put up guard posts are, Maxwell Road – Upper and Middle Bridges; Mountain Road, Warner, Tinney, Fleury and Leland Bridges and North Heath Road, the Bissel Bridge.

We have been able to put up 500 feet of guard rail on the Zoar Road where much more is needed badly.

MACHINERY DEPARTMENT

During the year we have traded one of our TD-6 crawler tractors on an Adams 220 Grader which is doing excellent work in the summer time; as for a winter piece of equipment we have not had enough snow as yet to express an opinion. The oldest International Truck we feel ought to be replaced as it is going on its eighth year and repairs are heavy on it. Barring no serious accidents we feel the rest of the equipment will carry along, self-supporting.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Paul E. Heist
Superintendent of Roads

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

The usual activities have taken place during 1957 at Memorial Park, principally the "Yankee Doodle Days" celebration.

Money spent for improvements to the Park was for extending electric lights from the grand stand out to the park approach and also for calcium chloride which was needed for the grounds.

The commissioners hear suggestions for improving the grounds and building but without money available we hesitate saying which ones should be undertaken first.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY F. LEGATE
AVIS M. CHURCHILL
CHARLES L. PURINTON

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

Total circulation for the past year was 14,278 including books loaned by the Regional Library Center in Greenfield, from visits of the Bookmobile and those circulated from the library. Number of books added – 182. Circulation from the Bookmobile was 2518, somewhat less than last year. Circulation from the Library 10,760, adult fiction 5762, juvenile 2125, non fiction 965, magazines 1908. Library Hours, Wednesdays from 2 to 5, Saturdays from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 P.M. Rules: magazines may be borrowed for one week, books for two weeks; will you please watch the date on the slip at the back of the books.

Respectfully submitted,

PEARLE L. TANNER, Librarian

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

1957	NAME	PARENTS
Jan. 13-	Albert Charles Tilley	Wilson Lawrence Tilley Priscilla Ethel Harvey
Feb. 19-	Timothy Allen Ladd	Chester Forest Ladd, Jr. Judith Ann Muller
Mar. 12-	Robert Lewis Gould	Albert Lewis Gould Dorothy Mae Turner
Mar. 14-	David Sherman Giffin	Newell Sherman Giffin Gail Irene Herzig
Mar. 18-	Helen Priscilla Falandes	Maximilian Peter Falandes Katherine Kott
Apr. 2-	Regina Diane Shumway	Robert Duane Shumway Roberta Veber
Apr. 3-	Michael Leslie Burdick	Russell Darwin Burdick Mary Justinia Tinney
Apr. 18-	Robert Raymond Coates	Allen McClure Coates Sylvia Angel Baxter
Apr. 18-	David Gary Magnant	Lester Francis Magnant Lauraine Esther Sauve
May 23 -	Doreen May Clark	Darwin Harry Clark, Sr. Dorothy May Taylor
Sept. 13-	Richard Joseph Tetreault	Richard John Tetreault Irene Rita Warger
Oct. 4-	Patricia Ann MacLean	Wallace Sterling MacLean Leona Ada Maynard
Oct. 21-	Daniel Paul Cetto	Paul Dean Cetto Ann Mary Galvin
Dec. 3-	Douglas Peter Purinton	Raymond Alvin Purinton Esther Janet White

COMPARISON TABLE OF BIRTHS

1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
17	10	17	14	14

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MARRIAGES

1957	NAME	RESIDENCE
Mar. 5 -	Paul D. Cetto	Charlemont, Mass.
	Ann M. Galvin	Charlemont, Mass.
Apr. 27 -	George H. Breen	Charlemont, Mass.
	Cecelia Emma Lescarbeau	North Adams, Mass.
June 22-	Joseph Stanley Kolnacki	Charlemont, Mass.
	Lillian Gertrude (Bennett) Gingras	Charlemont, Mass.
July 3 -	Elwyn Olaf Johnson	Orange, Mass.
	Beverly Ruth Ellsworth	Charlemont, Mass.
July 6 -	David H. Feder	Charlemont, Mass.
	Elinor Rose McClary	Turners Falls, Mass.
July 28-	Roland J. Dostie	Charlemont, Mass.
	Kathleen J. Blakeslee	Conway, Mass.
Nov. 2 -	John F. Kowal, Jr.	Westfield, Mass.
	Hattie A. Taylor	Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 3 -	Clifford W. Clark	Williamsburg, Mass.
	Anesta M. Taylor	Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 17-	Allan B. Bixby	New Salem, Mass.
	Geraldine N. Annear	Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 23-	Theodore Melvin Willard	Charlemont, Mass.
	Suzanne Amelia Rice	Charlemont, Mass.

COMPARISON TABLE OF MARRIAGES

1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
10	11	11	8	10

DEATHS

1957		NAME	AGE-Years	Months	Days
Jan. 3	-	Charles Douglas Pleshaw	82	2	26
Feb. 8	-	Mary Ellen (Starks) Stafford	80	7	27
Apr. 8	-	George W. Ashley	53	1	24
June 27	-	Jennie M. Canady	78	11	29
Aug. 6	-	Fred A. Smart	85	6	29
Aug. 22	-	Victor Isaac Martin	88	1	6
Sept. 2	-	Robert Alfred Dunlop	22		
Sept. 26	-	Joseph C. Frisbie	33	9	15
Oct. 26	-	Ellen (Miller) Rice	84	1	6
Dec. 3	-	Maria Hannah (Tanner) Wetmore	92	1	7
Dec. 18	-	John Albert Nolan	88	8	1

COMPARISON TABLE OF DEATHS

1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
12	11	13	15	11

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED

Three hundred and sixty

17	-	Resident Citizens' Sporting & Trapping Licenses to persons seventy or more years old.....	Free
1	-	Resident Citizen O.A.A. Fishing Licenses or to the blind.....	Free
56	-	Resident Citizens Fishing Licenses @ $3.25.....	$182.00
98	-	Resident Citizens Sporting Licenses @ $3.25.....	318.50
101	-	Resident Citizens Sporting Licenses @ $5.25.....	530.25
22	-	Resident Citizens Minor Fishing Licenses @ $1.25...	27.50
35	-	Resident Citizens Female Fishing Licenses @ $2.25 .	78.75
1	-	Resident Citizens Trapping License @ $7.75	7.75
12	-	Special Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $2.75	33.00
1	-	Non-Resident Citizen Minor Fishing License @ $2.25.	2.25
1	-	Non-Resident Citizen Fishing License @ $7.75	7.75

1	-	Alien Fishing License @ $7.75	7.75
7	-	Non-Resident Citizen Hunting Licenses @ $15.25	106.75
1	-	Non-Resident Citizen Sporting License @ $20.25	20.25
6	-	Duplicate Licenses @ $ .50	3.00

Paid Division of Fisheries and Game	$1,241.50	
Fees retained	84.00	
		$1,325.50

DOG LICENSES ISSUED - 2 KENNEL LICENSES

51	-	Male Dog Licenses @ $2.00	$ 102.00	
11	-	Female Dog Licenses @ $5.00	55.00	
46	-	Spayed Female Dog Licenses @ $2.00	92.00	
1	-	Kennel License @ $25.00	25.00	
1	-	Kennel License @ $10.00	10.00	$284.00

Paid Town Treasurer		$ 260.15	
Fees retained: 73 @ 20¢	$14.60		
37 @ 25¢	9.25		
		23.85	$284.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER,
Town Clerk

TRUSTEES OF EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

To the Citizens of Charlemont:

Herewith is submitted the fifth annual report of the Trustees of the East Charlemont Schoolhouse.

At the annual meeting the same officers were reelected for the year 1957 - 58.

Many suggestions and ideas were discussed to repair and improve the building. Certain repairs seem necessary at this time: namely re-building the back wall of the shed, replacing the shed roof, placing a cover over the chimney, and a new flag rope.

It will require three squares of asphalt shingles to cover the back shed roof area. The front shed roof also needs renailing. The covering over the chimney will correct the soot damage and warping of ceiling boards as is now evident.

Therefore we deem it necessary to ask for an additional appropriation of fifty dollars to care for these repairs and replacements.

Lawrence Clark offered to make and erect a sign to acquaint visitors and passers-by of the history of this historic shrine. providing materials and information be given him. We hope to have this done before another year is ended.

A new flag was needed to replace the one donated through the generosity and kindness of Andreas Royer of Heath. Upon contacting Mr. Royer, he most graciously gave us another 5' x 7' flag to replace the worn one. This is greatly appreciated and we wish to thank publicly this public spirited citizen from our neighboring town.

Col. Caroll Adams is also to be commended for his interest and care.

The East Charlemont Club has used the building for its meetings this past year, and it is our hope that they will continue to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL V. SEARS
For the Trustees

LAWRENCE CLARK, Chairman
STANTON KENDRICK
HERBERT E. SMITH
EMMA W. FISK
MABEL V. SEARS, Clerk

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL

Emma Vincent, *Chairman*	*Term expires 1958*
Gerald Raymond, *Secretary*	*Term expires 1959*
Payson W. Stafford	*Term expires 1960*
Wilson L. Tilley	*Superintendent*

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term Opens January 6, 1958	Closes February 21, 1958
Second Winter Term Opens March 3, 1958	Closes April 18, 1858
Spring Term Opens April 28, 1958	Closes June 13, 1958 (Elem.) Closes June 20, 1958 (High)
Fall Term	Opens September 3, 1958

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday	April 4, 1958
Memorial Day	May 30, 1958
Teachers Convention (Tentative)	October 10, 1958
Columbus Day	October 13, 1958
Veterans' Day	November 10 & 11, 1958
Thanksgiving Day	Closes noon November 26, 1958
Teachers' Visiting Day	December 1, 1958
Christmas Holidays	December 23, 1958

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my second annual report.

The past year brought a significantly low percentage of staff replacement compared with previous years and other school systems. Mrs. Carol Cowell replaced Mrs. Esther Galbraith as Music Supervisor. In the Regional School Mr. Leonard Yarrows was hired to replace Mr. Robert Waldron, who resigned in June. Miss Lucille Mackler has replaced Miss Suzanne Gortner in the Commercial Department. This small percentage of replacement adds considerably to the efficiency of the instructional program that can be offered.

Mrs. Jeanette Rich has added a program in mechanical drawing to her department which has been enthusiastically received and attended by a good number of high school students.

Additional repairs have been made in the high school building as finances will allow. A basement room has been remodeled as a permanent art room and serves also on a limited basis for student activities and audio-visual work. One classroom has been completely repainted. The wooden trim on the exterior of the building has been given a single coat of paint. Continued annual repairs such as these must be maintained as long as the building is occupied.

In the Regional School classroom counters have been refinished, shelves have been added to the storage room, and miscellaneous trim has been painted as well as the outside doors. An annual maintenance policy on the heating controls has been adopted which provides annual inspection and guaranteed service to the heating system throughout the year. A hot water unit in the auxiliary boiler makes this unit available for full time operation when necessary. Arrangements for minor roof repairs are being made. As a safety measure the tall hedge in front of the school was removed. Additional improvements to the school grounds would be practical and are being planned for.

There has been and will continue to be much national public concern over providing more and better education in our public schools in all areas, and particularly in the areas of math and science. Your superintendent, school committee and faculty are aware of this and are working toward these goals. The

attainment of these goals is dependent upon several factors. The most important of these are community desire, financial support, increased school time and parental cooperation, all of which are possible and practical. The one single thing we cannot afford to neglect is high teacher salaries. This most important consideration would directly determine our future success in achieving high educational standards for our children. Poor education is expensive, good education an investment.

Our non-instructional staff of Miss Morehouse, Mrs. Maynard, Mrs. Stafford, Mr. Turner and Mr. Purinton are to be commended for their important roles in making possible the success of the instructional program.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all those affiliated with the school program who have helped to make this past year a successful and enjoyable one and to especially thank the school committee for their support and confidence in my educational endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON L. TILLEY,
Superintendent

CHARLEMONT PUPILS

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE

October 1, 1957

Grade	Ages																	
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Total
Spec.			1		1												1	3
1	2	14	1	1														18
2			8	12	3													23
3			3	9	6		1											19
4				2	8	3	1	1										15
5					3	8	3	2										16
6						1	4	5	3		1							14
7							2	5	1	1	2							11
8								3	12	1		1						17
9										7	2		1					10
10										1	10	2	1					14
11												5	1					6
12													7	1				8
TOTAL	2	14	13	24	21	12	10	17	16	10	15	8	10	1			1	174

CHART OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL — TEACHERS

Regional and High School

Name	*Position*	*Experience*	*Professional Training*
Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent	8 Years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
Robert H. Jackman	Principal-Teacher	6 Years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
Frances A. Gray	Gr. 8 - 12 English	11 Years	B.S. Boston University School of Chinese Stud., Peiping, China
Elizabeth Harris	World Hist., Prob. of Democ. Gr. 7-8 Social Studies & Science	20 Years	B.A. Alfred University Columbia University Hofstra College
Kathleen P. Upton	Gr. 7 English & Math (7 & 8) Gr. 9 - 12 Languages	3 Years	B.A. University of Massachusetts
Robert J. Waldron *(Resigned)*	Gr. 9 - 12 Mathematics Gr. 9 - 12 Science	1 Year	B.S. University of Massachusetts Assoc. in M.E. Worcester Jr. College
Leonard A. Yarrows	Gr. 9 - 12 Mathematics	1 Year	B.S. University of Massachusetts
H. Suzanne Gortner *(Resigned)*	Commercial Studies	1 Year	Fisher Junior College
Lucille M. Mackler	Commercial Studies	6 Years	B.S. American International College
Winifred D. Looney	Grade 6	11 Years	Framingham Normal School

Thelma Purinton	Grade 5	14 Years	North Adams Normal School
Gladys Clark	Grade 4	17 Years	Aroostook State Normal School
B. Constance Pollard	Grade 3	25 Years	North Adams Normal School
Hazel N. Richmond	Grade 2	13 Years	North Adams Normal School
Verna Taylor	Grade 1	4 Years	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
Grace Raymond	Special Instruction	7 Years	Fitchburg Normal School
Esther Galbraith (*Resigned*)	Music Supervisor	7 Years	Springfield Conservatory of Music
Carol Cowell	Music Supervisor	2 Years	New England Conservatory of Music
Beda Langevin	Lip Reading & Speech Therapy	19 Years	B.S. University of New Hampshire Clarke School for Deaf
Jeanette Rich Rinehart Handwriting System	Art Supervisor	15 Years	B.S. Massachusetts School of Art

Non-Teaching Personnel

Ann E. Doyle	Secretary
Will C. Turner	School Custodian – Charlemont High School
Charles Purinton	School Custodian – Hawlemont Regional School
Gertrude Maynard	Cafeteria Manager
Grace Stafford	Cafeteria Assistant
Dorothy Morehouse, R.N.	School Nurse
Samuel J. Galbo, M.D.	School Doctor
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I hereby submit my report as Principal of Charlemont High and Hawlemont Regional School.

In the spring of 1957, Mrs. Esther Galbraith, Music supervisor, directed a Musical Program which exhibited the achievement of students in music in grades 7-12. All seventh and eighth grade pupils have music one period a week. Students in grades 9-12 elect music if they so desire on a basis of one period a week.

A Spring Open House was held in the Hawlemont Regional in May. Parents were invited to visit school one evening to observe samples of their childrens' work. Each pupil had a folder on his desk which contained samples of his work in each area studied for the school year. The teachers had put in each pupil's folder papers representing typical work in English, Social Studies, Science and Mathematics. Each folder contained, on the average, eight or nine papers from each one of the study areas mentioned previously. Papers for the folder were selected at least once a month. Pupils' folders will be on display again in 1958. The school personnel would like to see every parent come and observe his or her son's or daughter's achievement when the Spring Open House is held.

On Memorial Day grades 1-6 and their teachers participated in exercises observing Memorial Day. The pupils and teachers marched in the parade and then sang a number of songs for the exercises held in the Hawlemont Regional School Gym.

Nine seniors were graduated from Charlemont High School on June 20, 1957. Three of the members of the Class of 1957 are continuing their education beyond high school. One member of the Class of 1957 is enrolled in a Junior College, one member is enrolled in a School of Nursing, and one member is enrolled in a School of Art.

Three teachers in the Hawlemont Regional and Charlemont High Schools announced their desire to leave the system at the close of school in June, 1957. Mr. Robert Waldron, Mathematic & Science Teacher in Charlemont High School, left teaching to enter the industrial field. Miss Suzanne Gortner, Commercial Teacher in Charlemont High School, left the system to marry Mr. Waldron and take up a career as a housewife. Mrs. Esther Galbraith, Music Supervisor, left because her husband was taking a job in another section of the state.

Replacements for the teachers leaving Charlemont were obtained during the summer. Miss Lucille Mackler was hired to teach Commercial Subjects in Charlemont High School. Miss Mackler had previously taught in Charlemont High School for three years. Mr. Leonard Yarrows was elected to teach Mathematics and Science in Charlemont High School. Mrs. Carol Cowell was hired as Music Supervisor for Charlemont High and Hawlemont Regional Schools.

On September 4, 1957, the first day of school, there was an enrollment of 250 pupils. Grades 1-8 had 193 children enrolled and 57 pupils enrolled in grades 9-12. The total enrollment for September 4, 1957, was just 4 pupils less than the total enrollment for September 5, 1956.

A new course, Mechanical Drawing, was added to the curriculum of Charlemont High School this year. Any boy or girl in grades 9-12 who could fit it into his or her program was allowed to elect this course. Mrs. Jeanette Rich, Art Supervisor, teaches Mechanical Drawing.

During the past year a few parents have become concerned about School Attendance. There seemed to be a little confusion as to why a child could be excused from school. The Attendance Policy in the schools has not changed during the past year, the same policy has been in effect for three years. A parent is requested to write a note explaining any absence of his child. The reason the parent gives for the pupil's absence is not always an acceptable one to the school. The school only recognizes two reasons for a pupil to be absent from school: (1) illness on the part of the pupil, (2) unusual circumstances. If a pupil is absent for any other reason, he is not allowed to make up any work missed. Regular attendance is the first requisite for a pupil to obtain the most from school. Parents have the obligation of seeing that each of their children receives the maximum benefit of school. Parents should impress upon their children that attending school comes before hunting, baby-sitting or working. Our way of life is demanding more and more education for an individual to achieve success in any field. If a pupil misses school very often, his achievement will suffer a great deal, thus his chance for success in later life is lessened. Also, prospective employers often ask the schools if the applicant was tardy or absent a great deal during his school days. Employers want employees who are punctual and dependable.

The hot lunch program, under the direction of Mrs. Gertrude Maynard has run smoothly during the past year. New equipment has been purchased for the kitchen from the cafeteria proceeds. The meals served to the students are of excellent quality and

each student usually has all he wants to eat. The hot lunch program is under the supervision of the State which means that nutritional standards and cleanliness must be maintained at all times.

My first full year at Charlemont has been a most enjoyable one. I appreciate the cooperation which has been extended by the School Committee, Superintendent Wilson Tilley, the faculty, parents and students.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. JACKMAN
Principal

Hawlemont Regional School
and
Charlemont High School

GRADUATION PROGRAM

CLASS ROLL

Joanne M. Bilhoefer
John T. Boullie
Priscilla A. Boullie
Lorna D. Brant
Beverly N. Gould
Geraldine G. Harris
Eugene H. Poissant
Suzanne A. Rice
Anesta M. Taylor

FACULTY

Mr. Robert H. Jackman, *Principal*
Miss H. Suzanne Gortner
Mrs. Edward R. Harris, Jr.
Mrs. Charles C. Gray
Mrs. Donald T. Upton
Mr. Robert J. Waldron
Mr. Wilson L. Tilley, *Superintendent*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Leslie F. Vincent, *Chairman*
Mr. Gerald T. Raymond
Mr. William P. Stafford

PROGRAM

Processional	
Invocation	The Reverend Walter G. Hillis
Salutatory	Priscilla A. Boullie
Class History	Geraldine G. Harris
Songs	Glee Club
Class Will	John T. Boullie, Eugene H. Poissant
Class Prophecy	Lorna D. Brant
Commencement Address	"There Is Still Much To Be Done" Dr. Albert W. Purvis *Dean, School of Education University of Massachusetts*
Presentation of Class Gift	Joanne M. Bilhoefer
Dedication of Yearbook	Anesta M. Taylor
Validictory Address	Suzanne A. Rice
Songs	Glee Club
Presentation of Awards	
American Legion	Patrick J. Coyne Post No. 171
School Awards	Robert H. Jackman, *Principal*
Presentation of Diplomas	Wilson L. Tilley, *Superintendent*
Class Song	Words by Senior Class
Benediction	The Reverend Father Gerald J. Sullivan
Recessional	
Receiving Line	

GRADUATION AWARDS

Commercial Award — Suzanne Rice
To the student having highest grades in commercial subjects
Reader's Digest — Suzanne Rice
A year's subscription to the valedictorian of the class
American Legion Award — Eugene Poissant and Priscilla Boullie
Alumni Awards
For Highest Grades:
Bryant Avery, Agnes Stafford and Ruth Willis
Most Improved: Ernest Cetto and Elizabeth Fitzroy
Athletics Award — Eugene Poissant and Suzanne Rice
D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Suzanne Rice
American Legion Oratorical Award — Virginia Warner
Odd-Fellowship's Annual United Nations
Pilgrimage for Youth — Raymond Streeter
Best Report on Student Town Government Day — Ruth Willis

CLASS OFFICERS

President — Priscilla A. Boullie
Vice-President — Eugene H. Poissant
Secretary — Suzanne A. Rice
Treasurer — Joanne M. Bilhoefer

CLASS MOTTO

Moderation is the Noblest Gift of Heaven

Class Colors: Green and White — Class Flower: Gladiolus
Accompanist: Mrs. Milo F. Galbraith, *Music Supervisor*
Marshal — Raymond C. Streeter, President, Class of 1958

FINANCIAL REPORT
EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL:		
School Committee Salaries	$ 150.00	
School Committee Expense	17.50	
Superintendent's Salary	1,200.81	
Superintendent's Travel	91.67	
Clerical	416.26	
Telephone & Office Expense	190.76	$ 2,067.00
INSTRUCTION:		
Principal's Salary	4,203.80	
Teachers' Salaries	10,431.41	
Substitutes	60.00	
Supervisors	604.47	
Staff Expenses	132.64	
Textbooks	408.30	
General & Science Supplies	666.18	
Incidentals	140.81	16,647.61
OPERATION-MAINTENANCE:		
Janitor's Salary	2,900.04	
Rubbish Removal	50.25	
Fuel	800.00	
Lights	190.07	
Lavatory & Janitor Supplies	35.84	
Repairs & Replacements	745.68	
New Equipment	275.46	4,997.34
TRANSPORTATION		2,237.21
HEALTH:		
Physician	25.00	
First Aid Supplies	34.71	59.71
ATHLETIC:		
Athletic Supplies	139.87	
Athletic Fund	450.00	
Coaches	525.00	
Night Janitor Service	136.00	1,250.87
VOCATIONAL:		
Tuition	162.34	
Transportation	90.00	252.34
GRADUATION EXPENSES		44.82
TOTALS		$27,556.90

CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 1957

Appropriation	$28,355.00	
Amount of Appropriation Expended	27,556.90	
Amount of Appropriation Not Spent		$ 798.10
Reimbursements:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Chapter 70, General School Fund		$11,193.31
Superintendent's Salary & Travel		1,971.95
Transportation		6,449.20
Vocational Tuition		2.40
Tuition		7,082.69
		$26,699.55

SUMMARY

Amount Expended Under Appropriation	$27,556.90
Total Receipts from sources other than local tax	26,699.55
Net Cost to Town for Support of School	$ 857.35

REPORT OF HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Emma Vincent, *Chairman*	*Term Expires 1958*
Gerald Raymond	*Term Expires 1959*
W. Payson Stafford	*Term Expires 1960*
David S. Rice, *Vice Chairman*	*Term Expires 1958*
Gertrude L. Ogden, *Secretary*	*Term Expires 1959*
Helen M. Stiles	*Term Expires 1960*

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL
FINANCIAL REPORT

Expenditures

GENERAL CONTROL:		
School Committee Expense	$ 22.21	
Superintendent's Salary & Travel	3,290.02	
Clerical	416.26	
Telephone & Office Expense	175.19	$ 3,903.68
INSTRUCTION:		
Principal's Salary	1,256.83	
Teachers' Salaries	27,067.64	
Substitutes	295.00	
Supervisors - Music, Art, Handwriting, Speech	2,239.21	
Special Instruction	821.58	
Textbooks	1,012.37	
General Supplies	700.55	
Incidentals	106.37	33,499.55
OPERATION-MAINTENANCE:		
Janitor's Salary	3,200.08	
Fuel	2,616.15	
Lights	1,323.13	
Janitor & Lavatory Supplies	504.35	
Repairs & Replacements	859.79	
New Equipment	328.22	8,831.72

ATHLETICS		276.70
YARDS & GROUNDS		89.43
HEALTH:		
Physician	200.00	
First Aid Supplies	23.17	223.17
INSURANCE		436.40
TREASURER'S EXPENSE:		
Treasurer - Salary	150.00	
Treasurer - Bond	75.00	
Treasurer - Incidentals	31.43	
Franklin County Retirement System	269.60	526.03
TUITION		300.25
TRANSPORTATION		16,694.74
MISCELLANEOUS		17.81
TOTALS		$64,799.48

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT OF THE HAWLEMONT REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET

Operation-Maintenance

1. The agreement stipulates that this portion of the budget is determined on a per pupil basis by using the enrollment in the District School from each member town as of October 1st of the preceding year.

2. On October 1, 1956 there were 49 children from Hawley and 131 children from Charlemont attending this school.

3. Therefore, the operational percentage for Hawley is 27.22% and 72.78% for Charlemont.

4. A balance of $3,458.28 from the 1955 appropriation was deducted from the 1957 appropriation, making the sum to be assessed to both towns $62,211.72.

5. Therefore, operation-maintenance cost to both towns is as follows:

Charlemont	$45,277.69	
Hawley	16,934.03	
		$62,211.72

Debt and Interest

1. The agreement stipulates that Hawley pay 21 per cent and Charlemont 79 per cent of this cost. Each year this amount will decrease and for 1957 it was $27,287.50. This was a decrease of $550.00 over 1956's payment. State reimbursement on the cost of the building was $8,757.98 which made the share to each town as follows:

Charlemont	$14,638.32	
Hawley	3,891.20	
		$18,529.52

Total Cost to Both Towns

	Charlemont	Hawley
Operation-Maintenance	$45,277.69	$16,934.03
Debt and Interest	14,638.32	3,891.20
	$59,916.01	$20,825.23

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

January 1st., 1957, cash on hand	$17,776.93	
Received		
Town of Charlemont, budget	59,946.00	
Town of Hawley, budget	20,825.24	
O.D. Purington, Inc., refund	380.00	
Warren Ashley, refund	22.80	
Town of Rowe, tuition	2,962.50	
State Treasurer on:		
Approved school construction	9,596.46	
Transportation	10,071.80	
Special Cases	435.16	
Town of Heath, office rent	50.00	
Town of Rowe, office rent	50.00	
Mrs. Jean LaBelle, tuition	43.75	
Cafeteria funds	11,396.54	
Income tax & retirement deductions	636.60	
		$134,163.78

Disbursements

Paid		
Operation warrants	$64,799.48	
Capital cost warrants	322.32	
Debt and interest warrants	27,287.50	
Cafeteria warrants	11,747.71	
Available funds, Hawlemont School	28,965.47	
Available funds, cafeteria	1,041.30	
		$134,163.78

Respectfully submitted,

F. Deane Carter,
Treasurer

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE

Russell C. Denison, *Chairman*	Colrain
Payson Stafford, *Vice Chairman*	Charlemont
Robert J. Haeberle	Buckland
Bernard H. Shippee	Buckland
Dr. Charles E. Streeter	Charlemont
James H. Cromack	Colrain
Helen Stiles	Hawley
*Lucia Finck	Heath
Malcolm P. Chattin	Heath
Lauriston D. Koonz	Shelburne
Erving S. Kendrick	Shelburne

APPOINTMENTS

*Philip M. Hallowell	*Superintendent*
Donald A. Fisher	*Superintendent*
Frederic P. Gray	*Treasurer*
Esther T. Anderson	*Secretary*
Donald Hillier	*Attorney*
Rev. Wayne Moody	*Clergy*
Warren H. Ashley and Associates	*Architect*
Dr. Herbert Bruner and Associates	*Educational Consultants*

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dr. Harold Toy	Buckland
Harry Purinton	Charlemont
Donald G. Shearer	Colrain
F. Deane Carter	Hawley
Frank I. Gleason	Heath
Parker R. Shaw	Shelburne

**Resigned*

To the Towns in the Mohawk Trail Regional School District:

This is the second annual report of The Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee to the citizens of the six towns comprising the district.

During the past year the Committee has made several compromises. One of the most important of these is the change from the red brick schoolhouse site in East Charlemont to the Good-now-Mayer Property on Route 112 in Buckland. This land has been tested and found to be adequate for the school's present needs while allowing for future expansion. The area also received the approval of School Building Assistance Commission, architect, and educational consultants.

We anticipate that before this report is in your hands, our proposed preliminary plans will have been approved by the State School Building Assistance Commission. Approval of these plans will enable us to ask the voters for authorization to build our much needed school.

A detailed report will be distributed for your study prior to your vote.

The refunds indicated in our disbursements are the amounts returned to each town that paid the interest on the $100,000 bond Issue which was included in the 1956-1957 Budget. This Bond Issue was not approved by the member towns thus necessitating the refunds.

Respectfully submitted,

THE MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Balance 1/1/57			$23,328.36
Receipts 1957:			
Accrued interest on loan			20.83
Town of Buckland		$ 1,161.80	
Town of Charlemont		816.80	
Town of Colrain		1,479.60	
Town of Hawley		292.20	
Town of Heath		279.40	
Town of Shelburne		1,950.20	5,980.00
			$29,329.19
Payments 1957:			
Refunds to Towns:			
Town of Charlemont	$247.50		
Town of Colrain	405.00		
Town of Hawley	67.50		
Town of Heath	90.00		
Town of Shelburne	720.00	1,530.00	
Operating:			
Salary Superintendent	347.23		
Telephone	140.20		
Bond-Treasurer	19.00		
Salary-Treasurer	200.00		
Salary-Secretary	345.76		
Office Supplies	31.60		
Postage	75.20		
Printing	33.30		
Legal	22.50		
Committee Expense	255.92		
Appraisal Fees	175.00		
Bond Interest	633.68	2,279.39	
Construction:			
Land Survey	802.00		
Test Drillings	2,493.00		
Educational Specifications	3,600.00	6,895.00	
			$10,704.39
Balance 12/31/57			$18,624.80

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NURSE

The Public Health Nursing program in Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe includes visits of a wide variety. Elderly folks down to tiny tots are visited to aid in maintaining good health and to care for those who are ill.

Sickness in the schools was higher this year. There were heavy colds and some possible Flu cases. Some chicken pox and a few cases of mumps were reported. I was pleased that more children were kept home at the start of their colds – thereby reducing the danger of a severe attack and checking the spread of germs in school.

Physical examinations were given in the High, Hawlemont and Rowe Schools by Dr. S. J. Galbo and in the Heath School by Dr. H. E. Oxman. "Dental care needed" was the outstanding remark by the doctors. Other defects were fewer.

All pupils had a vision test and all that failed were retested. The response, by the parents, to the vision defect notification is excellent. About all these children have had further examination by an eye specialist.

The School Union soon expects to own a Pure Tone Audiometer. Mrs. Beda Langevin will then test the hearing of the pupils in all our schools. It is such a great advantage for us to own this audiometer, always available to recheck a child or even test one of the school personnel if the need arises.

Miss Genevieve Ely, State Dental Hygienist, returned to the schools, visited the class rooms and talked to the pupils about their teeth and how to care for them. A dental certificate (card) is given to every school child each fall. When dental care is completed, the dentist signs the card. The card is then returned to school. The number of these returned give us the percentage of the pupils receiving complete dental care that year. Miss Ely's report for the school year 1956 – 1957 was far from good. Only 18% of all our pupils had complete dental care! Good food – regular brushing and a dentist's care will save those teeth!!

The pupils were weighed and measured. Most of them are gaining weight. The well being of a child depends greatly on nutrition. "A good breakfast is the foundation of a good day." Vitamin A & D capsules are always available to school children during the school year – they help their health in winter.

The pupil cafeteria workers of Charlemont, the personnel, the bus drivers of the schools and your nurse had a chest x-ray to rule out T.B. at a portable x-ray unit in Greenfield this fall. This is done annually and is in effect for a 3 year period.

The Heath & Rowe Schools had no place for a sick child to rest (awaiting transportation home). A folding cot & blanket was purchased for each school. A pillow, for each, was donated. For first aid to bumps, a small ice cap was placed in these schools. Hawlemont's ice cap has really had use.

Heath's School's old, small First Aid cabinet was like Fibber McGee's closet - crowded supplies tumbled out, difficult to find. The large new one is perfect for its needs.

For a healthy, happy time, 2 boys and 2 girls from Charlemont and Hawley went to the Greenfield Health Camp. All gained weight and reported a very happy experience.

Polio vaccine clinics for third doses were completed with the following results:

Schools:	1st	2nd	3rd	Preschools:	1st	2nd	3rd
Charlemont	2	7	158		1	10	67
Hawley	0	0	55		2	5	19
Heath	0	3	41		2	3	36
Rowe	0	0	24		0	2	8
	2	10	278		5	20	130

So, 408 had 3 doses of Polio vaccine – which is a fine percentage. All who did not receive 3 doses should visit the family doctor to complete the series. Young adults are hard hit by Polio. Permanent paralysis is more frequent than in children. If you are under 40 don't take chances. Your doctor will give it. Be wise – immunize!

Two adult Polio vaccine clinics for the 4 towns were held in Charlemont. The 3rd clinic to be in January 1958. Having their second doses were 93 adults and 2 teenagers.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile set up in Charlemont in July. Fifty gave blood. Blood saves lives and folks in our town were glad to do their share.

When ever there is a need for a contribution for the health of children the organizations in the Towns are so ready to give. I am very grateful for all the help we received from the following:

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:		
Balance brought forward January 1,1957	$ 752.44	
Town of Charlemont	2,244.00	
Town of Heath	880.00	
Town of Hawley	748.00	
Town of Rowe	528.00	
Nursing Fees	150.25	
Capsules	92.75	
Withholding	528.00	
Total		$5,923.44
Disbursements:		
Nurse's Salary	$3,600.00	
Nurse's Mileage	324.98	
Phone Service	48.60	
Supplies	42.38	
New England Tel & Tel	113.45	
Polio Clinics	290.00	
Vitamins	44.00	
Treasurer's Salary	100.00	
Office Rent	300.00	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Withholding	528.00	
		$5,396.41
Balance carried forward to 1958		$ 527.03

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER
Treasurer

The Charlemont Lions Club, for eye examinations & glasses for 3 children. For dental clinic care - through use of a generous contribution previously given.

The American Legion Auxiliary, for the thoughtful donation of lolly pops for the children at Polio clinic time.

May I thank the folks in the Towns for their kind assistance in my health programs. I could never do without them!

The committee of the Western Franklin Public Health District, the Superintendent of Schools, the Principals, the teachers, the custodians, the nurses and the many workers at Polio clinics and Well Child Conferences and the other kind people in the Towns.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R.N.
District Nurse

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

BUDGET FOR 1958

Nurse's Salary	$3,720.00	
Nurse's Mileage	400.00	
Nurse's Supplies	150.00	
Shot Clinics (Polio, etc.)	200.00	
Office Rent	300.00	
Office Telephone	150.00	
Treasurer's Salary	110.00	
Miscellaneous	25.00	
TOTAL BUDGET		$5,055.00
From Cash in the Treasury		455.00
Amount to be Raised by Towns		$4,600.00

Charlemont	51%	$2,346.00	
Heath	20%	920.00	
Hawley	17%	782.00	
Rowe	12%	552.00	
			$4,600.00

SANFORD FIFE FREE HOSPITAL BED FUND

As pointed out in the last annual report, the Sanford Fife free bed fund at the Franklin County Public Hospital is now in operation. The fund amounts to approximately $40,000 and is estimated to yield an annual income of about $1600.00. The Hospital has established a procedure for disbursement of the annual income which will be handled by a Committee, the Charlemont members of which are Horace E. Warfield and Harry L. Purinton.

During 1957 disbursements of $809.47 were authorized, benefitting 11 patients who were Charlemont residents, in amounts ranging from $2.00 to $260.00.

An application form is available at the Hospital for those who might wish to qualify for benefits under the terms of Mr. Fife's will. Questions concerning this Fund should be referred either to the Hospital or to the Charlemont members of the Committee which administers the Fund.

REPORT OF THE WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT

This year brought several changes to recipient and administration. The cost of living increased to 25.7% effective September 1, 1957, necessitating the refiguring of budgets in all categories. The Medical Care Rules effective July 1, 1957 made a confusing time for both recipient and clerical worker.

Our case load for the district has dropped off but this fact has not lowered our payment load. The increased hospital care, nursing home care, medical costs and increased living costs has held our payments high. This district has been very fortunate in having a small General Relief load for in most sections General Relief has been high.

The following is a statistical analysis of the District activities:

Number of applications taken:	11
Number of home visits made	187
no one home	11
Number of Office Calls	22
Number of visits from State Area Representatives	11
Number od days State Auditor at office	7
Number of Welfare Association Meetings attended	2
Number of visits not classified as home visits (Re: Hospital, Social Security Office, Town Treasurer, Clerks, and Assessors, Board Members, Attorney's Office and Registry of Deeds).	59
Number of conferences attended	2
Transportation of recipients	11

CHARLEMONT

	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Case Load Jan. 1, 1957	26	2	1	1
New Cases	4	1	1	1
Cases closed	2	0	1	2
Case Load Jan. 1, 1958	28	3	1	0
Applications denied	1			
Applications withdrawn	2			

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward from Dec. 31, 1956	$1358.46	
Town Appropriations:		
Charlemont	672.00	
Hawley	192.00	
Heath	256.00	
Monroe	224.00	
Rowe	256.00	
Federal Grant Administration		
District OAA	2248.84	
District ADC	743.40	
District DA	289.71	
State Administration		
District OAA	1652.45	
District ADC	506.28	
District DA	198.13	
District GR	67.70	
Withholding tax, Federal	733.20	
County Retirement	303.00	
Phyllis Ll Heist, Agent		$3600.00
Transportation		239.21
Edith B. Lynch, Clerk		2460.00
Mary L. Carpenter, Treasurer		100.00
Bond for Treasurer		5.00
Supplies and communications		297.52
Town of Charlemont - rent		300.00
Assessed share - Franklin County Retirement		287.35
New Equipment		72.50
Withholding-Franklin County Retirement		303.00
Federal		733.20
Miscellaneous expenses		12.00
Credit balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1958		1291.39
	$9701.17	$9701.17

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS L. HEIST, Agent

I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1957.

Respectfully,

MARY L. CARPENTER, Treasurer

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT BUDGET 1958

Salary:	
Agent	$3750.00
Clerk	2580.00
Treasurer	100.00
Telephone	140.00
Travel	280.00
Bonding Treasurer	5.00
Postage	120.00
Supplies	50.00
Misc. Charges	75.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin County Retirement	349.00
Total	$7749.49

Voted at the December 3, 1957 meeting that the towns' assessed share would be $1600 and that the same percentages were to be used as in 1957.

Charlemont	42%	$672.00
Hawley	12%	192.00
Heath	16%	256.00
Monroe	14%	224.00
Rowe	16%	256.00

Balance brought forward from 1957	$1291.39
Estimated amount to be received	
Federal	3300.00
State	2400.00

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

To the Selectmen of Charlemont:

Herewith is my thirteenth annual report as Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent for the ten Towns of the Western Franklin District.

Requests for Service during 1957 totalled 903. Thirty-one boys registered for Selective Service and Seventy-three veterans applied for Medical and Hospital treatment. Compensation for war-service compensation was applied for by Eighteen veterans. Assistance was given in connection with Thirty-eight applications for pensions by veternas with non-service total disabilities. One Hundred and Ninety-four requests were received for photostatic copies and we made One Thousand and Thirty-three prints.

Twenty-six new applications were taken for assistance under the provisions of Chapter 115. During the past year, Thirty-three families, a total of 108 people received assistance under this law, for a total expense of $19,011.96. We now have 23 active cases.

We have folders for One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventeen veterans of all wars and have, in our card files, the names, dates of birth and enlistment for all these, together with the same for recent enlistments. Work has been done on permanent records, as time allowed.

The total expense for administration of the District Office was $5595.62. This amount was divided among the ten Towns, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 599, of the Acts of 1946, in proportion to their assessed valuation.

The Contact Office of the Veterans' Administration has been obliged to discontinue itinerant service since October, in spite of our appeal to the Regional Office, but we still have fine cooperation from the Contact Representative, Mr. Edward A. O'Neil on all referrals.

The continued interest of the Town Representatives in the District is very encouraging and is much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SCOTT
Director and Veterans' Agent

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1955 Taxes Outstanding		
Personal Property		$ 143.96
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Personal Property	$ 143.96	
Real Estate	759.88	
		$903.84
1956 Taxes Outstanding		
Poll	26.00	
Personal Property	669.53	
Real Estate Tax	2,285.85	
Motor Excise	1,118.84	
		$4,100.22
1957 Taxes Outstanding		
Poll	90.00	
Personal Property	540.96	
Real Estate	7,909.95	
Motor Excise	2,062.68	
Farm Animal Excise	53.26	
		$10,656.85

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. WILLIS

EXCERPTS FROM THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Article 2. Voted to raise the following appropriation.

$ 7,000.00	Snow, Roads and Bridges
1,000.00	Welfare
1,800.00	Soldier's Benefits
1,200.00	Disability Assistance
600.00	Aid to Dependent Children
16,000.00	Old Age Assistance
1,900.00	Miscellaneous
1,700.00	Town Hall
2,300.00	Fire Department
1,170.00	Street Lights
360.00	Legion Rooms
738.80	Franklin County Retirement System
480.11	Town Property Insurance
300.00	Town Vehicle Liability Insurance
800.00	Workmen's Compensation Insurance
175.00	Bonding Town Officers
200.00	Gypsy Moth and Dutch Elm Suppression
200.00	Board of Health
150.00	Town Dump
200.00	Memorial Day
100.00	Christmas Fund
100.00	Interest
50.00	Swimming Classes
35.00	Old Cemeteries
50.00	Fairground Maintenance
50.00	Civilian Defense
25.00	East Charlemont School
300.00	Police Department
400.00	Highway Department
2,000.00	Reeerve Fund (From overlay Surplus)
28,355.00	High School ($248.86 to come from the Dog Fund and $79.58 from the Leonard School Fund. This appropriation includes payment of salaries of $50.00 each to members of the School Committee)
45,277.69	Hawlemont Regional School, operations
14,638.32	Hawlemont Regional School, capital (from available funds)
816.80	Mohawk Trail Regional School District

The following items do not require a vote, but nevertheless represent amounts which will have to be raised:

$ 672.00	Western Franklin Welfare District
2,244.00	Western Franklin Public Health District
395.50	Western Franklin Veterans Service Center

Article 3. Voted to raise $2,300.00 for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance to be spent in conjunction with State Funds amounting to $12,650.00.

Article 4. Voted to raise $1,500.00 for Chapter 90 Construction on North Heath Road, to be spent in conjunction with State and County Funds amounting to $6,000.00.

Article 5. Voted to raise $2,500.00 for Chapter 90 Maintenance, including the installation of guard rail and bridge repairs, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $5,000.00.

Article 6. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $5,500.00 to the 1957 Machinery Maintenance account to include the purchase of new equipment.

Article 7. Voted to raise $4,900.00 for payment of Town Officers annual salaries, together with such clerical help as the Selectmen may authorize.

Selectmen	$300.00 each
Clerk	450.00
Treasurer	750.00
Tax Collector	600.00
Two Assessors	250.00 each
Clerk Assessor	350.00
Sealer	75.00
Inspector of Animals	75.00
Fire Chief	100.00
Dog Officer	15.00
Moderator	10.00
Historian	600.00

Article 8. Voted to raise $500.00 for the installation of drain tile from Harmony Heights to Route 2.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the Board of Assessors to publish the list of tax valuations in the annual town report on a once in three years basis, rather than annually.

Article 10. Voted to raise $1,000.00 for the removal of snow from the sidewalks along Main Street. Also that the Moderator appoint a committee of three, one of whom shall be a Selectman, to establish the initial snow removal program; this program to start as soon as possible and not later than December 1, 1957. Committee appointed: Donald Raymond, William D. Pierson, and Charles Purinton.

Article 11. Voted to authorize the Selectmen, by private sale or otherwise, to dispose of the town's right, title and interest in a certain spring of water, located in the Hart Rice pasture so-called, 350 west of Rice Brook.

Article 12. Voted to authorize the Selectmen, by private sale or otherwise, to dispose of the town's right, title and interest in a parcel of real estate known as the Fred Tyler property, consisting of a house and barn, located on the north side of Main Street, in Charlemont, bounded on the south by the State Highway, on the east by the Charlemont Federated Church, on the north by the town owned Fairgrounds property and on the west by property now or formerly of L.R. Edwards; and authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the town to make, execute and deliver a deed transferring to the purchaser good title to said parcel of land and the buildings thereon upon receipt of a purchase price which is deemed adequate by the Selectmen.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 30, 1957

Article 1. Voted $3,000.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on South River Road, said appropriation representing the town's share of the cost of the work, to be met by transferring $3,000.00 from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956.

Article 2. Voted from available funds $250.00 for Tyler Library.

Article 3. Voted that the town transfer from the Road Machinery fund $10,000.00 for the purchase of a power grader. The Selectmen are hereby authorized to purchase such power grader, and to trade in against such purchase one of the TD-6 crawler tractors now owned by the town.

Article 4. Voted that the town accept Sec. 1 of Chapter 85 of the General Laws which read as follows:

Sec. 7 of Chapter 40

Any town which accepts this section or has accepted corresponding provisions of earlier laws may appropriate money for the removal of snow and ice from its sidewalks in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 6 of Chapter 85. This section shall not apply to cities.

Sec. 6 of Chapter 85

Any town which accepts this section or has accepted corresponding provisions of earlier laws, may cause the snow and ice to be removed from its permanent sidewalks constructed of brick, stone, cement, concrete or asphalt, and may provide that the assessors may assess upon the estates abutting on said sidewalks from which snow or ice has thus been removed, the whole or any part of the cost of such removal, and the provisions of Chapter 80 relative to the abatement and collections of betterments shall apply to such assessments.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 29, 1957

Article 1. Voted to transfer $500.00 from Welfare account to Aid to Dependent Children account.

Article 2. Voted to transfer $300.00 from Disability Assistance account to Aid to Dependent Children account.

Article 3. Voted to transfer from available funds $3,500.00 to the Old Age Assistance account.

Article 4. Voted $800.00 to meet town's share of cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction on South River Road, and to meet said appropriation $800.00 be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956.

(The foregoing $800.00 is to be used in conjunction with a State grant of $1,600 for oiling a section of South River Road.)

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

February 3, 1958

There follows a list of business to come before the annual town meeting. This list is a preliminary one and the final warrant, as posted, may contain additions or alterations.

The following officers are to be elected by ballot, for which purpose the polls will be open from 11:30 A.M. until 7:30 P.M.

Clerk for one year.
Treasurer for one year.
Selectmen for three years.
Assessor for three years.
School committeeman for three years.
Tax Collector for one year.
Moderator for one year.
Library trustee for three years.
Auditor for one year.
Tree Warden for one year.
Park Commissioner for three years.
Three constables for one year.

At 8:00 P.M. the meeting will be convened to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To act on the report of the Town Officers.

Article 2. To see if the Town will raise the following appropriations, as recommended by the Finance Committee:

$ 7,000.00	*Snow, Roads and Bridges*
1,000.00	*Welfare*
2,000.00	*Soldiers' Benefits*
1,000.00	*Disability Assistance*

$ 1,900.00	*Aid to Dependent Children*
17,000.00	*Old Age Assistance*
1,900.00	*Miscellaneous*
1,700.00	*Town Hall*
2,300.00	*Fire Department*
1,170.00	*Street Lights*
240.00	*Legion Rooms*
739.00	*Franklin County Retirement System*
500.00	*Tyler Memorial Library*
522.51	*Town Property Insurance*
350.00	*Town Vehicle Liability Insurance*
1,100.00	*Workmen's Compensation Insurance*
175.00	*Bonding Town Officers*
200.00	*Memorial Day*
100.00	*Christmas Fund*
810.00	*Interest*
50.00	*Swimming Classes*
35.00	*Old Cemeteries*
50.00	*Fairgrounds Maintenance*
50.00	*Civil Defense*
75.00	*East Charlemont School*
300.00	*Police Department*
400.00	*Highway Department Vacations*
2,000.00	*Reserve Fund*
33,570.00	*High School*
41,462.43	*Hawlemont Regional School, operations*
13,541.42	*Hawlemont Regional School, capital*
1,334.25	*Mohawk Trail Regional School District*

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2,244.00	*Western Franklin Public Health District*
399.00	*Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center*

Article 3. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2,300.00 for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance, to be spent in conjunction with State Funds amounting to $12,650.00.

Article 4. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction on South River Road, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $6,000.00. (This appropriation will be taken from Chapter 718 money received from the State.)

Article 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, including the installation of guard rail and bridge repairs, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds amounting to $5,000.00.

Article 6. To see if the town will transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $9,500.00 to the 1958 Machinery Maintenance Account, to include the purchase of new equipment and a truck.

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Moderator	10.00
Historian	600.00

Article 8. To see if the town will lay out and construct a public way from the end of Harmony Road to the site of the Carroll Lumber Company Mill. This would be approximately 850 feet at an estimated cost of $1,020.00.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

General Cash in Treasury, January 1, 1957	$44,918.95	
Advertising	14.18	
District Court Fines	25.00	
Sealer's Fees	47.25	
Borrowed Note	27,666.76	
Town of Hawley, Christmas Gifts	19.74	
Registration Fees	2.00	
Philemon Rice, Cemetery Fund Interest	4.90	
Potter Cemetery Fund Interest	30.23	
Sears, Mantor & Lyman Cemetery Fund Interest	30.22	
Mohawk Regional School District, Interest Refund	247.50	
Wildcat Bounty	10.00	
Welfare District Postage	21.07	
All Alcoholic Licenses	1,500.00	
All Alcoholic Seasonal Licenses	700.00	
Package Store Licenses	400.00	
Plantation Club License	250.00	
All Other Licenses & Permits	165.50	
Town Hall Rent	600.00	
Fire Department Receipts	40.00	
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	579.74	
Maxwell Library Fund Interest	30.23	
Withholding Tax	3,608.61	
State Treasurer, Reimbursement for Lost Taxes	936.44	
State Treasurer, Com. Vets Services	928.55	
State Treasurer, Meal Tax Distribution	694.78	
State Treasurer, Income Tax	1,698.17	
State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	5,150.77	
State Treasurer, Live Stock Disease Control	37.50	
County of Franklin, Retirement	918.25	
County Treasurer, Refunds & Dog Licenses	768.99	
		$92,045.33

HIGHWAYS

State Treasurer, Chapter 90M	$ 7,247.66	
County Treasurer, Chapter 90M	5,500.00	
State Treasurer, Chapter 90C	10,267.56	
County Treasurer, Chapter 90C	4,338.41	
State Treasurer, Chapter 81	10,173.96	
State Treasurer, Bond Issue	3,800.00	
State Treasurer, Flood Relief	427.15	
Machinery Earnings	8,739.12	
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MACHINERY EARNINGS - TOWN OF CHARLEMONT

	Snow, Roads & Bridges	Chapter 81	Chapter 90C So. River	Chapter 90 Maintenance	Town Dump
Truck #1 Int.	$349.00	$534.76	$304.00	$214.78	$------
Truck #2 Int.	331.50	420.00	815.33	249.00	12.00
Truck #3 Int.	285.00	285.00	492.00	135.00	------
Tr. 2 TD Bulldozer	21.00	460.00	570.00	------	20.00
Tr. 3 Farmall	238.50	189.00	------	66.00	------
Tr. 4-0-88	156.00	284.00	262.00	260.00	16.00
Tr. Plow #3	78.50	------	------	------	------
Tr. Plow #4	4.00	------	------	------	------
Tr. Plow #5	4.00	------	------	------	------
Tr. Plow #6	65.00	------	------	------	------
Tr. Plow #7	73.00	------	------	------	------
Sander #1	73.50	------	9.50	8.00	------
Sander #2	14.50	------	8.00	8.00	------
Cement Mixer	------	5.00	------	14.00	------
Chain Saw	24.00	18.00	12.00	------	------
Scraper	------	77.00	------	14.00	------
Sweeper	------	28.00	------	28.00	------
Power Grader	16.00	556.50	196.00	126.00	------
	$1,733.50	$2,857.26	$2,668.83	$1,122.78	$ 48.00

MACHINERY EARNINGS - OUT OF TOWN

Town of Hawley.....	$ 96.00
Town of Heath	84.50
Town of Rowe	128.25
	$308.75

ALLOCATION OF CHAPTER 81 HIGHWAY FUNDS

Road & No.	Scraping	Gravelling	Grading	Drainage	Brush	Surface Treatment	Stock Fence	Calcium Chloride	TOTALS
1. Zoar	.....	.....	.....	$112.50	$120.00	.....	.....	.....	$232.50
2. Rowe	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00
3. North Heath	.....	.....	.....	142.96	70.00	.....	.....	.....	212.96
4. Vincent	$ 95.00	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	37.87	142.87
5&6. Warner Hill	420.53	.....	.....	126.00	10.00	.....	.....	37.87	594.40
9. Burrington	173.46	$1161.10	$ 490.10	65.00	25.00	.....	18.15	37.87	1970.68
11. Mountain	351.13	7.00	.....	224.50	45.00	$ 763.81	.....	75.74	1467.18
12. Mountain Branch	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
13. South Heath	40.00	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	90.00
14. Birch Lane	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
16. Maxwell	265.75	551.40	139.50	35.00	.....	.....	.....	37.87	1029.52
17. Wood	20.00	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.00
18. Hicks	70.00	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00
19. Legate Hill	285.00	1719.20	1338.70	433.17	15.00	1393.16	18.15	37.87	5240.25
20. Phipps	25.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00
21. Laurel Lane	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00
22. Potter	41.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.00
23. Tower	290.00	429.80	.....	.....	12.00	10.00	.....	.....	741.80
24. Ledge Lane	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
26. Cold River	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
28. West Hawley	.....	.....	.....	.....	95.00	.....	.....	.....	95.00
29. Chickley	45.00	27.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72.00
30. So. Chickley	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00
31. South River	250.00	27.00	.....	71.00	20.00	.....	.....	75.74	443.74
32. Dodge Corner	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
33. East Hawley	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	50.00	.....	.....	60.00
34. Warfield	.....	.....	.....	38.33	5.00	40.00	.....	.....	83.33
35. Colonial Hill	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00
36. Riddell	.....	.....	.....	50.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00
37. High	.....	.....	.....	200.00	10.00	22.20	.....	.....	232.20
38. Heath	.....	.....	.....	102.10	15.00	.....	.....	.....	117.10

39.	Burnt Hill	145.53	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 170.53
40.	West Oxbow	275.73	7.00	.....	94.20	35.00	.....	.....	37.87	449.80
41.	East Oxbow	112.77	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	127.77
43.	North River	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80.00	.....	.....	80.00
44.	Colrain	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00
45.	Johnson	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00
46.	South Street	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00
47.	East Harmony	.....	.....	.....	33.35	5.00	22.00	.....	.....	60.35
48.	North Street	.....	.....	.....	11.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.80
49.	Academy Lane	.....	.....	.....	25.00	5.00	22.00	.....	.....	52.00
50.	Elm Street	.....	.....	.....	25.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	30.00
52.	Harmony Ave.	.....	.....	.....	33.23	5.00	22.00	.....	.....	60.23
53.	Rice Fort	.....	.....	.....	33.33	5.00	22.00	.....	.....	60.33
56.	School Street	.....	.....	.....	100.00	5.00	47.00	.....	.....	152.00
57.	Hawkes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22.00	.....	.....	22.00
59.	Maple Terrace	.....	.....	.....	33.33	5.00	.....	.....	.....	38.33
60.	Windy Hill	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
61.	Hillanddale	.....	.....	.....	33.33	5.00	.....	.....	.....	38.33
		$3135.90	$3929.50	$1828.80	$2262.63	$612.00	$2516.17	$ 36.30	$ 378.70	$14700.00

Snow and Hazzard	50.00
Culvert Reserve	200.00
	$14950.00

TOWN EXPENDITURES

SNOW, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Town Appropriation	$ 7,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 917.40
Labor Payroll		3,305.40
Town Equipment		1,733.50
Hired Equipment		87.00
Chloride		220.00
Sand		573.00
Signs, Bolts and Washers		85.09
Lumber		32.00
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.		26.00
Credit Balance		20.61
	$ 7,000.00	$7,000.00

CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	$ 2,300.00		
State Contract	12,650.00		
Superintendent		$ 1,461.90	
Labor Payroll		5,379.60	
Town Equipment		2,857.26	
Hired Equipment		2,075.00	
Sand and Gravel		707.26	
Chloride		378.70	
Culverts		462.17	
Wire and Staples		36.30	
Cement Blocks		13.00	
Tar		1,578.81	
	$14,950.00	$14,950.00	$14,950.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION – NORTH HEATH ROAD

Town Appropriation	$ 1,500.00	
State Contract	4,000.00	
County Contract	2,000.00	
B & M Construction Co.		6,747.04
Credit Balance		252.96
	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,000.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION - SOUTH RIVER ROAD

Town Appropriation	$ 3,800.00	
(received from Chapter 718, Acts of 1956)		
State Contract	5,600.00	
County Contract	1,000.00	
Carried forward from 1956	1,861.70	
Superintendent		$ 718.25
Labor Payroll		3,147.15
Town Equipment		2,668.83
Hired Equipment		1,980.00
Gravel and Grit		1,323.42
Culverts		472.73
Tar		1,951.32
	$12,261.70	$12,261.70

CHAPTER 90 - MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
State Contract	2,500.00	
County Contract	2,500.00	
Superintendent		$ 689.70
Labor Payroll		2,678.85
Town Equipment		1,122.78
Hired Equipment		24.00
Sand		493.75
Tar		2,329.17
Paint		107.45
Cement		45.50
Guard Rails		8.80
	$ 7,500.00	$ 7,500.00

HARMONY HEIGHTS

Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Culverts		$ 444.14
Credit Balance		55.86
	$ 500.00	$ 500.00

SIDEWALKS AND SNOW REMOVAL

Town Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Credit Balance		$ 1,000.00
	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

TOWN DUMP

Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	2.80	
Superintendent		$ 13.20
Labor Payroll		21.60
Town Equipment		48.00
Albert Maynard		70.00
	$ 152.80	$ 152.80

MACHINERY

Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	$ 5,500.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 12.70
Christine Turner - rent		300.00
Superintendent		13.20
Labor Payroll		51.60
Gasoline		1,345.46
Oil		196.25
Diesel Fuel Oil		17.80
Kerosene		93.08
Miscellaneous Parts		1,010.46
Miscellaneous Repairs		1,526.26
Lubrication		115.95
Tires and Tubes		695.57
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		101.14
Police Badges		11.18
Credit Balance		9.35
	$ 5,500.00	$ 5,500.00

NEW EQUIPMENT

Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	$10,000.00	
Adams Power Grader		$ 9,000.00
Credit Balance		1,000.00
	$10,000.00	$10,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,900.00	
Selectmen's Expense		$ 154.00
Town Clerk's Expense		34.67
Town Treasurer's Expense		105.81
Assessor's Expense		177.49
Tax Collector's Expense		107.00
Recorder Gazette		26.49

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Town Appropriation	$ 600.00	
Transfer by Special Town Meeting	800.00	
Federal Grant balance brought forward from 1956	67.61	
Federal Grants for 1957	1,298.48	
3 Cases		$ 2,346.50
Credit balance Town Appropriation		213.12
Federal Grant balance carried forward to January 1, 1958		206.47
	$2,766.09	$ 2,766.09

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	$1,200.00	
Federal Grant balance brought forward from 1956	48.75	
Federal Grants for 1957	529.10	
1 Cancelled check - Federal Grant	70.00	
2 Cases		$ 1,403.82
Transferred at Special Town Meeting to ADC		300.00
Credit balance Town Appropriation		28.55
Federal Grant balance carried forward to January 1, 1958		
	$1,847.85	$ 1,847.85

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	$16,000.00	
Federal Grant balance brought forward from 1957	438.00	
Federal Grants for 1957	11,751.32	
Town Appropriation at Special Town Meeting	3,500.00	
2 Cancelled checks - Federal Grant	53.20	
30 Cases		$30,890.45
Credit Balance Town Appropriation		199.63
Federal Grant balance carried forward to January 1, 1958		652.44
	$31,742.52	$31,742.52

WELFARE

Town Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
2 Cases		$ 357.37
Transferred at Spec. Town Meeting to ADC		500.00
Credit balance Town Appropriation		142.63
	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

VETERANS BENEFITS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,800.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	385.00	
Three Cases		$2,156.60
Credit Balance		28.40
	$ 2,185.00	$2,185.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Western Franklin Welfare District	$ 672.00

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Western Franklin Public Health District	$2,244.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	8.40	
Police Chief - Cyrus C. Annear		$ 253.58
Labor Payroll		25.00
Supplies		29.82
	$ 308.40	$ 308.40

STREET LIGHTS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,170.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 1,170.00
	$ 1,170.00	$ 1,170.00

LEGION ROOMS

Town Appropriation	$ 360.00	
I. O. O. F. Union Lodge - rent		$ 360.00
	$ 360.00	$ 360.00

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 738.80	
Franklin County Retirement System		$ 738.80
	$ 738.80	$ 738.80

TOWN PROPERTY INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 480.11	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 480.11
	$ 480.11	$ 480.11

New England Tel & Tel Co.		$ 132.60
Office Expense		24.36
Frank J. Wells - water rent		35.00
Avis Churchill - water rent		6.00
Printing Town Reports & Postage		543.80
Sealers of Weights & Measures Expense		14.24
Albert Brown - Probation Officer		29.95
Director of Accounts		2.00
Dinner for Queen Candidates (Yankee Doodle Days)		41.99
Leavitt Cemetery Association		20.00
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett & Trudel		163.59
Credit Balance		281.01
	$ 1,900.00	$ 1,900.00

TOWN HALL

Town Appropriation	$ 1,700.00	
Salary of Janitor		$ 720.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		108.66
Charlemont Oil Co.		677.26
Repairs		51.72
Supplies		41.78
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
Credit Balance		90.58
	$ 1,700.00	$ 1,700.00

OFFICERS SALARIES

Town Appropriation	$ 4,900.00	
Salary of Selectmen		$ 900.00
Salary of Town Clerk		450.00
Salary of Town Treasurer		750.00
Salary of Tax Collector		600.00
Salary of Sealer of Weights & Measures		75.00
Salary of Clerk Assessor		350.00
Salary of Two Assessors		500.00
Salary of Fire Chief		100.00
Salary of Historian		600.00
Inspection of Animals		75.00
Inspection of Slaughtering		40.06
Moderator		10.00
Dog Officer		15.00
Ballot Clerks and Tellers		40.00
Posting Town Meeting Warrants		2.00
Office Clerk - Beda A. Langevin		161.50
Credit Balance		231.44
	$ 4,900.00	$ 4,900.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 2,300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	148.37	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 24.60
Charlemont Oil Company		363.02
Labor Payroll		197.50
Equipment		535.29
Repairs		499.43
Lubrication		4.25
New England Tel & Tel Co.		200.86
Mrs. Earle K. Howes		427.00
Firemen's Insurance		178.50
Gasoline and Oil		7.92
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
	$ 2,448.37	$ 2,448.37

TYLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Town Appropriation	$ 250.00	
From Tyler Memorial Funds	1,174.41	
Librarian's Salary		$ 350.00
Campbell and Hall, Inc.		308.22
Nicholas Books		29.76
Gaylord Brothers, Inc.		12.95
Moore-Cottrell Subscription Agency		34.80
Repairs		372.13
Library Clock		5.48
M.C. Gould		100.00
Negus & Taylor		35.00
Blanche L. Hunt		37.97
D. A. Lanoue		138.10
	$ 1,424.41	$ 1,424.41

CHRISTMAS FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Carriddi Sales Co.		$ 84.50
A. L. Avery and Son		1.27
Credit Balance		14.23
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

WITHHOLDING TAX

Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 3,608.61

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND

Franklin County Retirement System	$ 914.25

LIABILITY INSURANCE ON TOWN VEHICLES

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 293.12
Credit Balance		6.88
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

WORKMANS COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 800.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	289.33	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 1,089.33
	$ 1,089.33	$ 1,089.33

BONDING TOWN OFFICERS

Town Appropriation	$ 175.00	
H. A. Hicks Insurance Agency		$ 172.50
Credit Balance		2.50
	$ 175.00	$ 175.00

INTEREST

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	203.64	
Director of Accounts		$ 2.00
Shelburne Falls National Bank		301.64
	$ 303.64	$ 303.64

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Credit Balance		$ 50.00
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00

GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE SUPPRESSION

Town Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Roy A. Hicks		$ 177.30
Norman Hicks		22.50
Credit Balance		.20
	$ 200.00	$ 200.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Town Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	45.58	
Dr. Merritt Low		$ 120.00
Mrs. George Coombs		56.04
Mrs. Evelyn Osborne		55.32
Dinners for Personnel-Well Child Conf.		14.22
	$ 245.58	$ 245.58

RESERVE FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	
Interest		$ 203.64
Fairgrounds Maintenance		301.80
Board of Health		45.58
Veterans' Benefits		385.00
Fire Department		148.37
Police Department		8.40
Town Dump		2.80
Workmen's Compensation		289.33
Credit Balance		615.08
	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS SERVICE CENTER

Western Franklin Veterans' Serv. Ctr.	$ 395.50

CEMETERY FUNDS

Treasurer, Village Cemetery	$ 60.45

STATE AND CITY TAXES

State Treasurer, Auditing Town Accounts	$ 626.62
State Treasurer, Parks & Reservations	286.27
County Treasurer, Dog Licenses	263.15
County Treasurer, County Tax	5,374.68

DOG OFFICERS EXPENSE

Dog Officer's Expense	$ 51.50

WILDCAT BOUNTY

1 Bounty	$ 10.00

COLLECTORS DEMANDS

Tax Collector's Demands	$ 52.05

REPAYMENT OF LOAN

Shelburne Falls National Bank	$18,650.00

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUNDS

2 Refunds for 1957 Tax	$ 59.08

MOTOR EXCISE REFUNDS

6 Refunds for 1956 tax	$ 27.36
15 Refunds for 1957 tax	188.62
	$ 215.98

MEMORIAL DAY

Town Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Sanderson Academy Band		$ 75.00
Speaker-Rev. George Butler		25.00
Flags and Wreaths		55.50
Refreshments		17.66
Credit Balance		26.84
	$ 200.00	$ 200.00

SWIMMING CLASSES

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Earl Barrett		$ 50.00
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00

OLD CEMETERIES

Town Appropriation	$ 35.00	
Charles Purinton		$ 35.00
	$ 35.00	$ 35.00

EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 25.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 12.00
Repairs		13.00
	$ 25.00	$ 25.00

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Town Appropriation (Capital outlay)	$14,638.32	
Town Appropriation	45,277.69	
Hawlemont Regional School District		$59,916.00
Credit Balance		.01
	$59,916.01	$59,916.01

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Town Appropriation	$ 816.80	
Mohawk Trail Regional School District		$ 816.80
	$ 816.80	$ 816.80

FAIRGROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	301.80	
Chloride		$ 30.00
D. A. Lanoue		321.80
	$ 351.80	$ 351.80

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VACATIONS

Town Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Superintendent		$ 79.20
Labor Payroll		309.60
Credit Balance		11.20
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

RECAPITULATION

Snow, Roads & Bridges	$ 6,979.39
Chapter 81	14,950.00
Chapter 90 Construction - South River	12,261.70
Chapter 90 Construction - North Heath	6,747.04
Chapter 90 Maintenance	7,500.00
Harmony Heights	444.14
Town Dump	152.80
Highway Department Vacations	388.80
Fairgrounds Maintenance	351.80
Machinery - new equipment	9,000.00
Machinery	5,490.65
Welfare	357.37
Veterans' Benefits	2,156.60
Disability Assistance	1,403.82
Old Age Assistance	30,890.45
Aid to Dependent Children	2,346.50
Western Franklin Welfare District Administration	672.00
Western Franklin Public Health Nursing Service	2,244.00
Miscellaneous	1,618.99
Town Hall	1,609.42
Officers' Salaries	4,668.56
Police Department	308.40
Fire Department	2,448.37
Street Lights	1,170.00
Legion	360.00
Employees Retirement System	738.80
Tyler Memorial Library	1,424.41
Town Property Insurance	480.11
Liability Insurance on Town Vehicles	293.12
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	1,089.33
Bonding Town Officers	172.50
Interest	303.64
Dutch Elm and Gypsy Moth Supression	199.80
Board of Health	245.58
Memorial Day	173.16
Swimming Classes	50.00
Christmas Fund	85.77
Old Cemeteries	35.00
East Charlemont School	25.00
Hawlemont Regional School	59,916.00
Mohawk Trail Regional School District	816.80
Withholding Tax	3,608.61
Franklin County Retirement Fund	914.25
Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center	395.50
Motor Excise Refunds	247.22
Real Estate Tax Refunds	68.28
Cemetery Funds	60.45

Snow Roads & Bridges,	$ 6,550.72
Dog Officer's Expense	51.50
Shelburne Falls National Bank	18,650.00
Collectors' Demands	52.05
Wildcat Bounty	10.00
	$ 213,178.40

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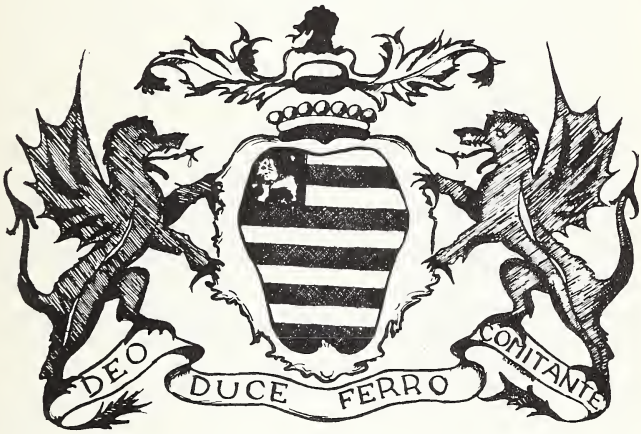

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TOWN CALENDAR

1959

Jan. 13	Last Registration of Voters before Town Meeting
Feb. 2	Town Meeting
Mar. 29	Easter
Mar. 30	Last day for filing Seasonal Liquor Licenses
Mar. 31	Dog Licenses – Expiration Date
May 30	Memorial Day
June 12	Elementary School Closes
June 19	High School Closes
July 4	Independence Day
Sept. 7	Labor Day
Sept. 9	School Opens
Oct. 31	Last day for payment of Town Taxes without penalty
Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 30	Last day for filing Liquor License renewals.
Dec. 25	Christmas Day
Dec. 28	Last day for filing Nomination Papers for Election of Town Officers

1960

Jan. 12	Last day for registration before Town Meeting
Feb. 1	Town Meeting

U. S. SENATORS

JOHN KENNEDY

LEVERETT SALTONSTALL

U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1

JOHN W. HESELTON

STATE SENATOR

RALPH C. MAHAR, Orange

REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT

FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT 1

PHILIP F. WHITMORE, Sunderland

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CARLOS ALLEN, Chairman, Deerfield

HARRY F. KOCH, Shelburne

FRANK H. REED, Greenfield

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

WINSTON HEALY, Chairman
Term Expires 1958

HORACE E. WARFIELD, Clerk
Term Expires 1959

WILLIAM D. PIERSON
Term Expires 1960

CLERK AND TREASURER
MARY L. CARPENTER

TAX COLLECTOR
ROGER W. WILLIS

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

DONALD RAYMOND
Term Expires 1958

SHERMAN T. PIKE
Term Expires 1959

NORMAN HAWKES
Term Expires 1960

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

GERALD RAYMOND, Chairman
Term Expires 1958

WILLIAM P. STAFFORD
Term Expires 1959

EMMA B. VINCENT
Term Expires 1960

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

HELEN STILES
Chairman

F. DEANE CARTER
Treasurer

GERTRUDE OGDEN, Secretary

GERALD RAYMOND
WILLIAM P. STAFFORD

EMMA B. VINCENT
CLAYBURN RICH

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

CHARLES E. STREETER
WILLIAM P. STAFFORD

HARRY L. PURINTON, Advisor

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
WILSON L. TILLEY

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL CUSTODIAN
CHARLES PURINTON

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL CUSTODIAN
WILLIAM C. TURNER

TRUSTEES FOR THE EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

LAWRENCE A. CLARK, Chairman
Term Expires 1958

MABEL V. SEARS, Secretary
Term Expires 1960

STANTON C. KENDRICK
Term Expires 1959

EMMA FISK
Term Expires 1961

HERBERT SMITH
Term Expires 1962

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

WINSTON HEALY, Chairman

HORACE E. WARFIELD

WILLIAM D. PIERSON

PHYLLIS L. HEIST, Agent

BOARD OF HEALTH

WILLIAM D. PIERSON, Chairman

WINSTON HEALY

HORACE E. WARFIELD

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

BLANCHE L. HUNT
Term Expires 1959

STANTON KENDRICK
Term Expires 1960

GRACE GOULD
Term Expires 1958

PEARLE TANNER, Librarian

PARK COMMISSION

AVIS M. CHURCHILL, Chairman
Term Expires 1958

HARRY F. LEGATE
Term Expires 1960

CHARLES L. PURINTON
Term Expires 1959

FINANCE COMMITTEE

D. A. LANOUE, Chairman
Term Expires 1960

ANN E. DOYLE
Term Expires 1960

LESLIE VINCENT
Term Expires 1958

AUDITOR

HARRY F. LEGATE

TREE WARDEN

ROY BREEN

CONSTABLES

PAUL CETTO

ROGER E. McKINSTRY

CHARLES PURINTON

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

FRANK J. WELLS

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
STANTON C. KENDRICK

CLERK TO TOWN OFFICERS
BEDA A. LANGEVIN

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R. N.

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE
PHILIP DiBENEDETTO

SUPERINTENDENT
GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL
ROY A. HICKS

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS
ROGER E. McKINSTRY

INSPECTOR OF WIRES
D. A. LANOUE

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
ROY A. HICKS

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING
ROY A. HICKS WILBUR L. BURNETT

FENCE VIEWERS
MARSHALL F. JOHNSON HARRY F. HAWKES

FIELD DRIVERS AND POUND KEEPERS
MARSHALL F. JOHNSON THERON S. TAYLOR, SR.

WEIGHERS
HARRY F. LEGATE THERON S. TAYLOR, SR.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
WILLIAM C. TURNER HERMAN F. HARRIS

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
WILLIAM C. TURNER HERMAN F. HARRIS
OLIN WHIPPLE AUBREY L. RICE
CHARLES W. GOODWIN

CHIEF OF POLICE
CYRUS C. ANNEAR, SR.

VETERANS' AGENT
ROBERT E. SCOTT

BURIAL AGENTS
LAWRENCE S. TINNEY
ROBERT E. SCOTT

CUSTODIAN TOWN HALL
LAWRENCE S. TINNEY

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS
PAUL E. HEIST

SPECIAL POLICE

LINCOLN SHAW
PAUL HEIST
LAWRENCE TINNEY
EDWARD STAFFORD
CHARLES GILBERT
HAROLD SHUMWAY
ROBERT H. JACKMAN
WALTER HUNT
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November 26, 1957

Office of Selectmen
Charlemont, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:-

The following is a statement of awards and accomplishments of your town in the annual town report contest. Several years are blank due to the incomplete records inherited by the Bureau when we took over the contest in 1955.

The towns were divided into two population classes from 1936 to 1940, three from 1941 through 1946, and five from 1947 on. From 1936 to 1944 judging was in three divisions: all over report in the particular class, special mention in that same class, and all over report in the three classes.

1936-1940	No awards.
1941	Second Place in Massachusetts contest, Class III. Special Mention, Class III, Honorable Mention for attractive cover and general appearance. Best for Selectmen's Report.
1942	First Place in Massachusetts contest, Class III, for over-all report. Special Mention Class III; Honorable Mention for Selectmen's report, Financial Report, Charts and Graphs and attractive cover. Best all over report 3rd place. (Judging for this honor included the three population classes.)
1943	Second Place in Massachusetts contest, Class III, for over-all report. Special Mention: Honorable Mention for Selectmen's Report.
1944	Honorable Mention in Massachusetts contest, Class III, for over-all report. Special Mention category; Honorable Mention for cover and Second Place for Selectmen's Report.
1945	Special Mention for cover and Selectmen's Report.
1946	No award, but Special Mention for attractive cover.
1947	Honorable Mention in Massachusetts contest, Class V.
1948	No award, but Special Mention for Outstanding Cover.
1949	Honorable Mention in Massachusetts contest, Class V.
1950	Honorable Mention in Massachusetts contest, Class V.
1951	No award. One of the finalists.
1953	No award. Judges commented on interesting historical data.
1954	No record.
1955	First Prize in Massachusetts contest, Class V. Certificate of Outstanding Merit in New England Municipal Report Competition for best New England report in 500 to 1,000 population class.
1956	Honorable Mention in Massachusetts contest, Class V.

Yours truly,

EILEEN H. MACLEOD
Research Associate

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Because a well-informed citizenry is a basic requisite for the successful functioning of a democracy, Charlemont has attempted to keep pace with the trend of recent years which has placed increased emphasis on good municipal reporting. The fundamental rewards of this policy can only be found in the minds of the townspeople; the superficial rewards are listed on the opposite page.

A review of the year indicates that, in general, the customary services were carried on by the town, but they became more expensive and taxes increased. Unfortunately it is unrealistic to suppose that this trend can be reversed, although it may be hoped that the rise will not be as steep as it has been in recent years. Even this hope, however, seems vain when we consider the many fields in which town services ought to be increased if the town is to maintain itself as a going concern. As we have pointed out before, it seems evident that the only way in which more can be accomplished without having the cost get completely out of hand is by a regional approach to the problem, since it is common to almost every town in our area.

A report such as this should look to the future as well as review the past. As a specific example of what ought to be accomplished in one field we have included, elsewhere in this report, a list of highway projects for the future, many of them already overdue, together with a rough estimate of the expense involved. We have also included a report by Milton L. Fitch of the Mohawk Trail Association concerning a long-range program for town improvement. While it is easy to quarrel with details of this plan, we think it is, in general, a very constructive one and that it contains a great deal of food for thought and action.

PERSONNEL

It was with great regret that the town noted the passing of Fred O. Bicknell. Having served the town for many years in a variety of official capacities, most recently as Historian, his wide knowledge and wonderful spirit of helpfulness will be sorely missed.

Mary L. Carpenter, Treasurer, and Roger W. Willis, Tax Collector, have also announced retirement from their respective offices. Although not a town official, Postmaster William E. Hallahan retired in October after long and fruitful service. Conscientious public servants such as these will be difficult to replace.

Once again the success of the annual Christmas Party was due largely to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Eva Porrovecchio. To her and her many volunteer assistants go the town's thanks.

It should be noted that the Memorial Day speaker, Mr. Sebastian Ruggeri of Greenfield, very kindly donated his fee to the Hawlemont School Cafeteria for the benefit of children who otherwise might not be able to purchase lunches.

During the year a good citizenship citation was presented to Joseph Kolnacki by FREEDOM, INC. The presentation was made by Governor Furcolo in the Hall of Flags at the State House in the course of most impressive ceremonies. The town can be justly proud of this well-deserved honor to one of its inhabitants.

A Blue Cross-Blue Shield group for town employees was inaugurated late in the year. Although the town does not share any part of the cost, the plan makes possible increased benefits with monetary savings to the members.

Through the generosity of Mrs. Avis Churchill the town has received some very interesting and valuable historical material, including a gavel turned from a piece of wood from the Old Oak Tree. In this connection, it seems to us that the time has come to prepare a history of the town. A proposal outlining the possibilities of such a project is included elsewhere in this report and there will be an article in the warrant requesting an appropriation to get the project underway.

During the year the Shelburne Falls National Bank made available a document-storage safe at a fraction of its original cost. This is now being installed in the Selectmen's office and will fill a long-felt need for storage of valuable papers.

At long last there is a real prospect of the town's obtaining a physician, although on a part time basis. Dr. Mark Purinton of Buckland has announced plans to commence practice in June and has indicated his willingness to be in Charlemont for office hours one afternoon and one evening a week, provided suitable space can be found. We look forward eagerly to at least partial fulfillment of this need of such long standing.

HIGHWAYS

Highway work this year was complicated by the unfortunate illness of Supt. Heist. We are glad to report that the crew carried on very effectively in his absence, and that he is now recovered and back on the job.

The maintenance of winter roads was exceptionally difficult and expensive. During the year 131 inches of snow were removed and 1100 yds. of sand, 25 tons of salt and 5 tons of chloride applied to the roads. This compares with an average winter in which the figures would be 60 inches, 600 yds. and 10 tons respectively. In an average winter the cost per mile would be $175 and this year it was $300. It became necessary to use approximately $3500 of Chapter 81 funds for snow removal. This restricted Chapter 81 work to mere maintenance, scraping, drainage, and brush, with small amounts of gravelling at the worst places. No permanent construction was accomplished under Chapter 81 funds.

At the request of Stone & Webster Corp., contractor for the Yankee Atomic plant, special efforts were made to provide for extraordinary winter maintenance of Zoar Road. After considerable time and effort a four town program was worked out whereby the contractor will provide certain amounts of salt and chloride and the State will provide an extra allotment of $2500 to insure that this road (and others leading to the plant) will be in good condition this winter. This brings to a head the problem of the town's owning adequate sanding equipment, as considerable night sanding operations will probably be necessary. There will be an article in the warrant to authorize the purchase of a special sanding body to be installed on one of the trucks.

Under the Chapter 90 Maintenance appropriation of $7500, which was $1500 less than the amount we requested from the State and County, approximately 14,600 feet of existing hard top was seal-coated and 2500 feet of highway had fence posts installed along it, 500 feet of which was completed with guard rail.

Under Chapter 90 Construction, another mile of South River Road was rebuilt at a cost of $12,000.

A special appropriation of $1000 for East Harmony road was spent on construction of 900 feet of hard topped road leading to the Carroll mill.

The 1951 International truck was traded in for a new model early in December, the Allen International Agency again being low bidder.

In general the roads are suffering chiefly from the lack of funds. Highway appropriations have not kept pace with the demands now made upon the roads nor with rising costs. We have been shocked to learn that our 1959 Chapter 90 allotment will

be reduced, rather than increased by the State. This situation is one of many which is in dire need of correction by the Legislature.

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board has been conducting a small-scale campaign aimed at improving some of the low standard housing in town. Its efforts to date have not met with overwhelming success and as this is written we are in the process of taking one landlord into court.

We have also failed to receive the kind of cooperation we should from unlicensed trailer camp operators, and it may be necessary to take one of them into court also.

The usual well-child conferences were conducted under the able direction of Miss Morehouse, as were several polio clinics. In our opinion the arrangement with Albert Maynard under which he supervises the town dump has worked out very satisfactorily.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Two years ago a special committee made a preliminary investigation into the question of the advisability of the town's adopting a zoning by-law, and recommended that it do so. Further action has been delayed awaiting State help in the preparation of a suitable map. We very much hope that this project can be developed next year and a by-law submitted for adoption at the 1960 annual meeting, or sooner.

We have found ourselves during the year increasingly at odds with townspeople in the tourist business over the question of roadside signs. It has been our opinion that a multiplicity of signs detracts from the scenic quality of the Mohawk Trail and will, in the long run, work to the detriment of the tourist operators themselves if unrestricted. Several operators have told us that our policy is much too strict. We have, therefore, agreed to ask the town for an advisory opinion in this matter, and you will find an article in the warrant asking for such instructions as you may wish to issue.

Late in the year the Northern Berkshire Electric Company installed several new-type street lights along Main Street. These lights provide substantially greater illumination, but will also cost $15 more per light per year than those which they replaced. The new lights have been installed on an optional basis and will be removed if the town prefers the old ones.

Because of time limitations it is never possible to make the town warrant usually included in this report an exact copy of the one which governs the town meeting. This year, therefore, we hope to have mimeographed copies of the official warrant available at town meeting.

It is, in our opinion, a matter of great regret that no progress has been made this year toward the construction of a new area high school. Unfortunately the leadership being offered in opposition to this project seems to be composed of people whose two feet are planted firmly in the path of progress and who are determined to prevent the establishment of a new school without regard to the consequences. By this time it should be clear to everyone that there is no acceptable alternative to building a new school. Postponement of this objective by quarrelling over site, committee make-up or other relatively minor details only insures that the ultimate cost will be greater, not only in terms of money cost for the building, but also, and more important, in terms of lost opportunities for area students whose education must be obtained in obsolete and decrepit schools. In our judgment it is high time to face this problem, which is primarily a financial one, squarely and with honesty. Charlemont should not withdraw from the existing regional school district unless and until a real alternative becomes apparent.

We regret to report that no satisfactory offers to purchase the Tyler property were received.

As this is being written the State auditors have not appeared to make the 1958 audit. This will probably make it impossible to include a balance sheet in the published report.

In another part of this report we are submitting several charts of town financial affairs, with comments, in the hope that the figures may be more readily understood by means of a graphic portrayal.

Respectfully submitted,

WINSTON HEALY
HORACE E. WARFIELD
WILLIAM D. PIERSON

Board of Selectmen

TEN YEAR TRENDS IN TOWN EXPENSES

The accompanying charts do not provide any information which is not already available to a thoughtful citizen, but it is hoped that they make the information more quickly understandable. Total town expenses have increased, on the average, about 40% during the last ten years, but the burden of that expense has fallen relatively more heavily on the local taxpayer, for the tax levy has increased about 65% during that same time. Approximately 20% of the increase in expense can be laid to the rise in prices, as the value of the dollar has shrunk about 20% since 1949.

Since almost 80% of total town expenses are made up by the three categories of highways, public assistance and schools, each of these accounts has been surveyed in a separate chart. Public assistance expenses have increased relatively little in total, and the town's share of the expense is also not greatly different from what it was 10 years ago. The bulk of this account is Old Age Assistance, and the conclusion we draw from the study is that increases in social security and other pension payments have served to prevent a rise in Old Age expense, but have not been large enough to make Old Age Assistance unnecessary, as was originally anticipated.

Although highway expenses appear to have increased about 20% on the chart, both in total and in town's share, this is not quite true because the years 1956 and 1957 were distorted by extraordinary flood expenses. In general the town is spending less on roads in real dollars than it did 20 years ago. The State is meeting its State Highway needs by means of large bond issues, but it has failed the towns in not increasing its allotments to keep pace with inflation and with more modern demands for rural roads. Increases in town appropriations have, in general, been confined to winter roads, and our construction program is falling behind badly each year.

During the period under consideration total school expenses have increased about 120% and the town's share of them has increased about 140%. Roughly speaking, the rise in school expenditures accounts for almost all the rise in total town expense. Although there are some who will consider this to be an undesirable condition, we believe, on the contrary, that it indicates clearly that we are "keeping up" or maintaining modern standards of municipal service in the school department only. The discouraging part of the picture is that the State, which claims for itself the responsibility of education, has continued to impose higher standards without a corresponding increase in State aid. Local property is bearing relatively

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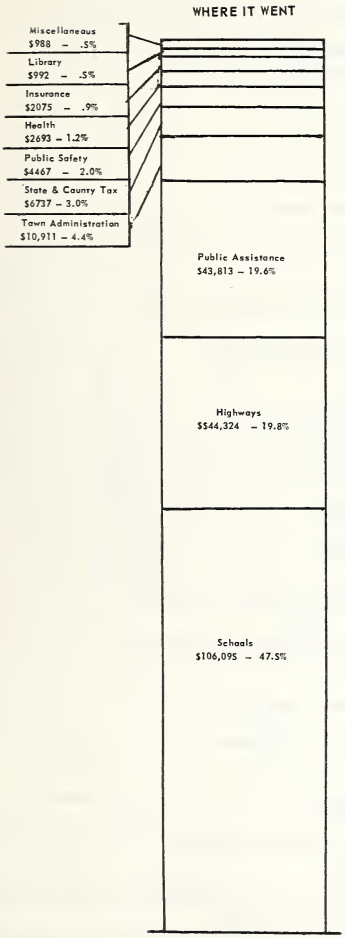
WHERE IT WENT
Miscellaneous
$988 – .5%
Library
$992 – .5%
Insurance
$2075 – .9%
Health
$2693 – 1.2%
Public Safety
$4467 – 2.0%
State & County Tax
$6737 – 3.0%
Town Administration
$10,911 – 4.4%
Public Assistance
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Highways
$544,324 – 19.8%
Schools
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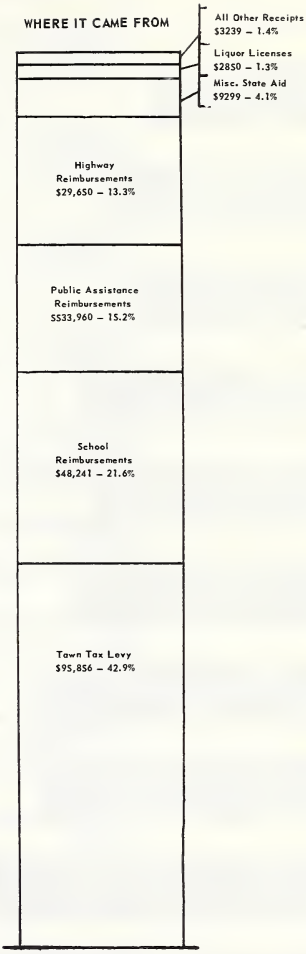
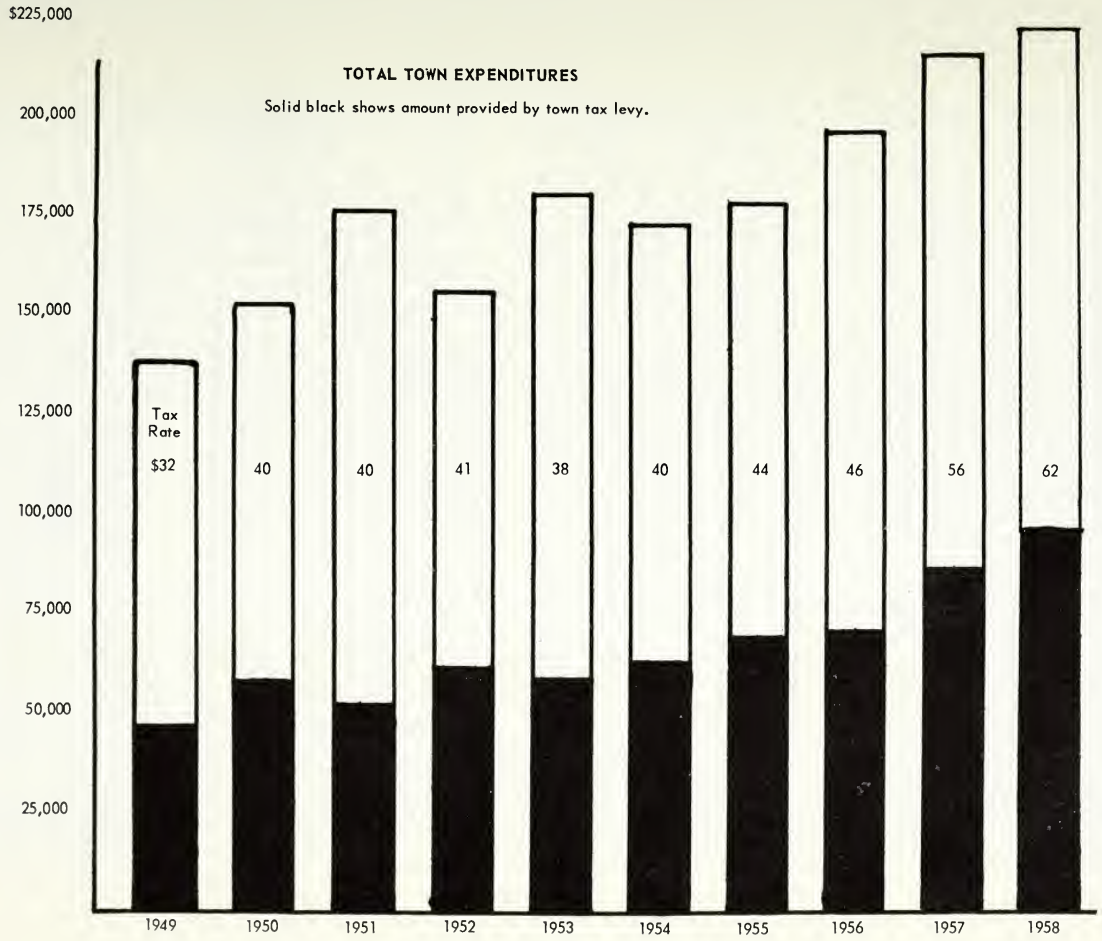

WHERE IT CAME FROM
All Other Receipts
$3239 – 1.4%
Liquor Licenses
$2850 – 1.3%
Misc. State Aid
$9299 – 4.1%
Highway
Reimbursements
$29,650 – 13.3%
Public Assistance
Reimbursements
$533,960 – 15.2%
School
Reimbursements
$48,241 – 21.6%
Town Tax Levy
$95,856 – 42.9%


TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES
Solid black shows amount provided by town tax levy.
$225,000
200,000
175,000
150,000
125,000
100,000
75,000
50,000
25,000
Tax Rate
$32
40
40
41
38
40
44
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1949
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE EXPENSE

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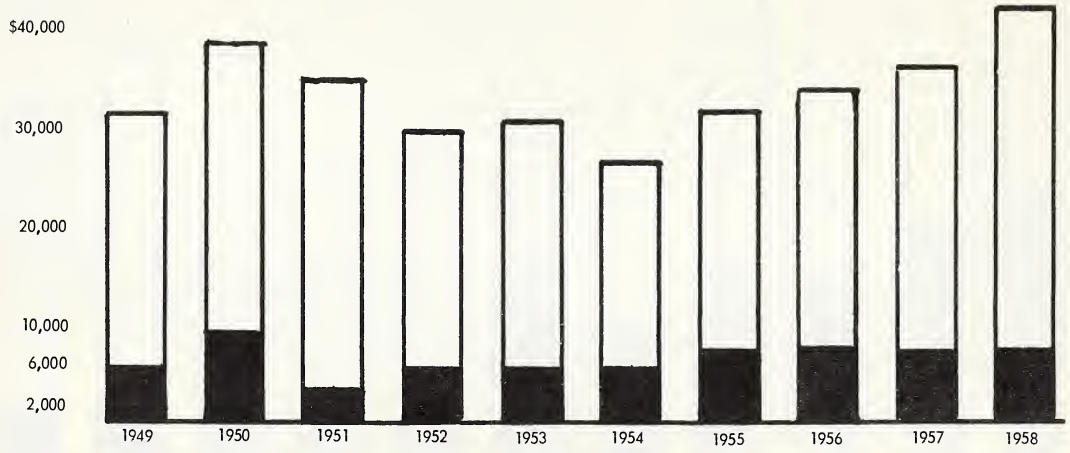

HIGHWAY EXPENSE

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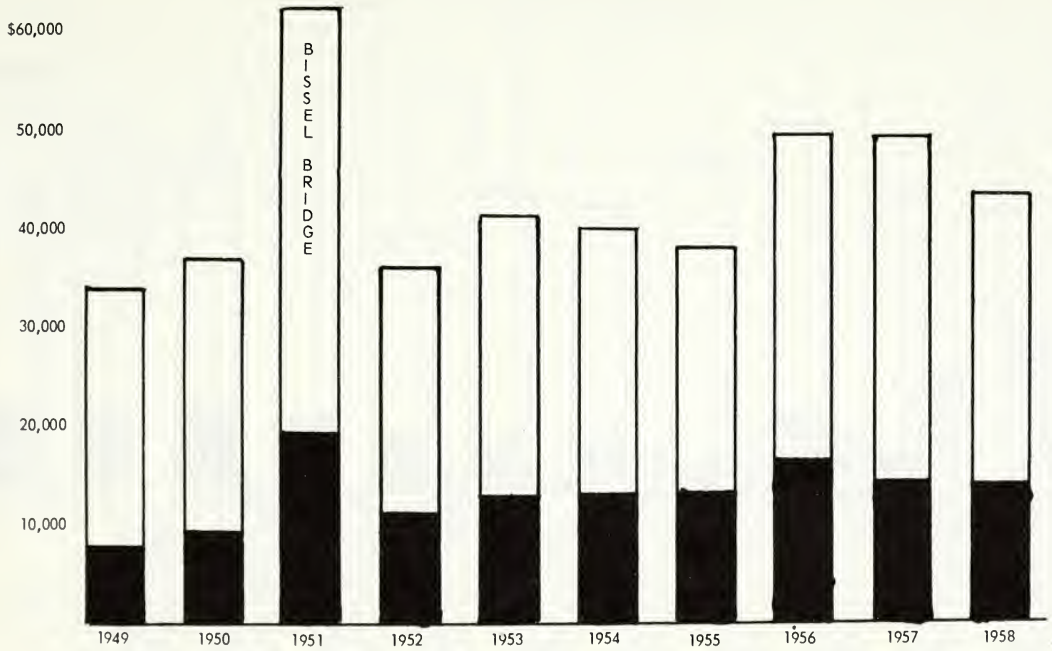

SCHOOL EXPENSE

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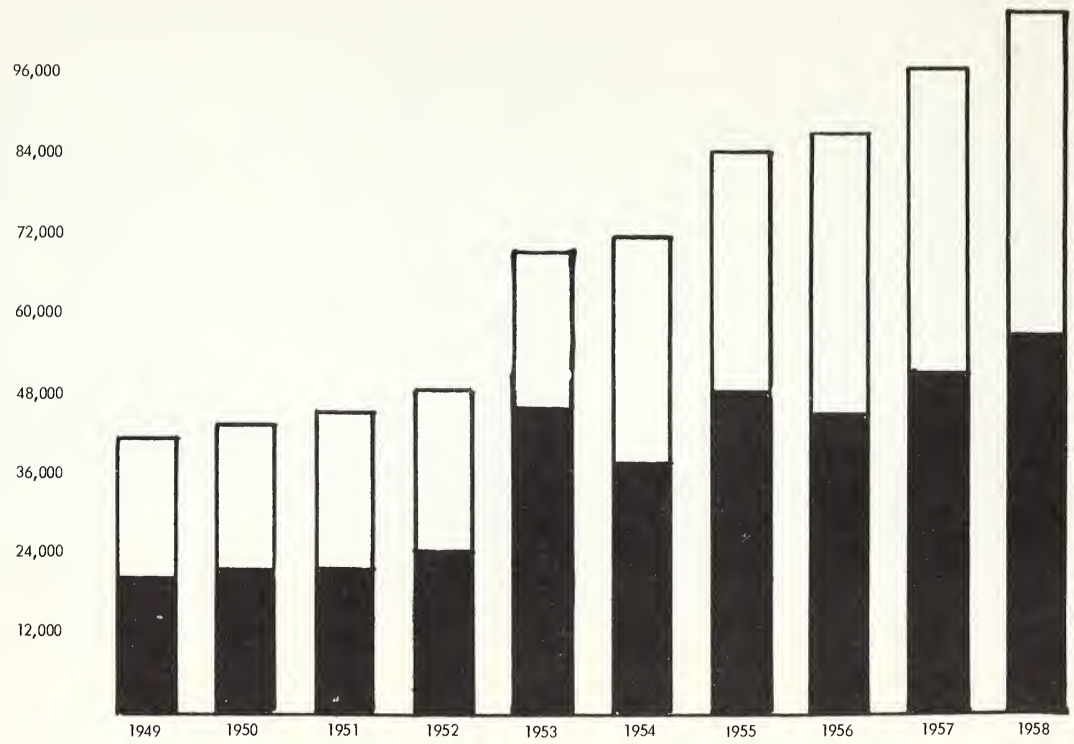


greater burden than it did 10 years ago, and this in spite of the fact that the State has a much broader tax base through corporation, income and a host of other tax sources not available to a town.

Charlemont can be justly proud that it is meeting the financial crisis of education. It will probably be unable to maintain its other municipal services on more than a mere subsistence level unless and until local property is relieved of the burden of carrying so much of the expense. It is unrealistic to suppose that the State will ever do more than mitigate this burden, and it therefore behooves us to find ways ourselves of materially reducing it. The most promising path of approach lies along the way of regionalization of services among neighboring towns. It is high time this approach were tested.

CHARLEMONT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Proposed by Milton L. Fitch of the Mohawk Trail Assoc.

Industrial and Business Residence

While industrial potential is limited, there is some opportunity of obtaining research laboratory facilities, small manufacturing, or power-eating conversion processes. Biggest immediate challenge is in residential development.

1. A Town Planning Program showing industrial, mercantile, and residential protection with emphasis on preservation of scenic areas.

2. A "Live in Charlemont" promotion tied in with realtors, contractors, and land owners.

3. A "clean-up, paint-up, and plant-up" campaign to make the town more attractive.

Tourist, Travel and Recreation

While tourism and agriculture are the main facets of Charlemont economy, more immediate gains can be made in tourist travel. The opportunities, challenges, and responsibilities in this direction are almost endless.

4. Charlemont Inn. Every effort should be made to put this into immediate operation. Perhaps it should be purchased by a local cooperative corporation, sold to Dept. of Natural Resources for western office with food concession, or managed cooperatively on a rental basis. Even losing money it leavens the whole town economy and community interest.

5. The Deerfield River Projects. (A) Tree planting – (Alder and Willow for bank control; oak, maple, etc. for shade and scenic beauty). (B) Brush clearing to open river vista particularly in East Charlemont. (C) Floral planting, particularly laurel in best areas. (D) Rustic signs (Pete Myal) showing best fishing areas. (E) Development of Fisherman's Park and scenic parking areas. (F) Better care of present park and picnic areas such as Hawkes graves.

6. Mill Brook Park. Cleaning up entire Bissell Bridge area with scenic walks and steps to bottom. Could area above dam be a swimming pool?

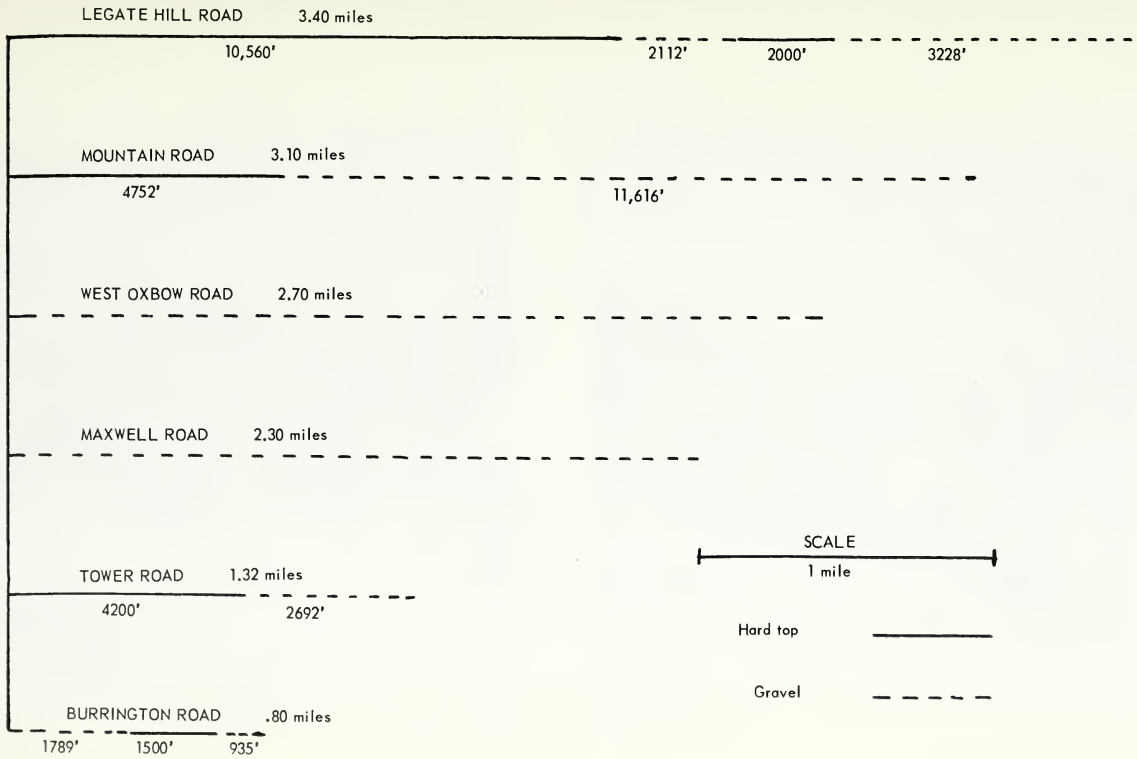
7. Rice Graves, Buttonball Tree, and Indian Watering Trough. Much could be done with a little effort to make this area more attractive. Also need parking space.

8. Special Events. (A) Yankee Doodle Days has "too many doing too much, to produce too little" should be professionally headed. (B) Fairgrounds should be used more and produce real revenue for town. Horse shows, agricultural fairs, auto races, even theatre shows are possible. (C) The Maple Syrup Festival and Fall Foliage Fair could be put on.

9. Historic Shrines. (A) Red Brick school house should have a special program of refurnishing and rehabilitation. Might be a "tea house" or information booth to warrant personnel to keep it open in Summer. (B) Old Meeting House and Warner House should have similar programs. (C) Some of best old homes and farms with histories could be opened to public when a "Visitors Welcome" sign was shown.

10. Vacation Program. (A) Offering of "Farm Vacations" is highly profitable if four or five places would cooperate. (B) Emphasis of summer rental property. (C) Promotion of summer cottage building. (D) Eventual location of a summer vacation area, swimming.

11. Major Capital attraction. Charlemont needs a central attraction. It might be a dude ranch, or a ski area, or a sportsmen's pilot airport, or a "Highway of History", or an All-States park. Every effort should be made to interest the necessary capital for such a major drawing card.


LEGATE HILL ROAD 3.40 miles
10,560'
2112'
2000'
3228'
MOUNTAIN ROAD 3.10 miles
4752'
11,616'
WEST OXBOW ROAD 2.70 miles
MAXWELL ROAD 2.30 miles
TOWER ROAD 1.32 miles
4200'
2692'
BURRINGTON ROAD .80 miles
1789'
1500'
935'
SCALE
1 mile
Hard top
Gravel

FUTURE HIGHWAY PROGRAM

The only real construction money available each year is the Chapter 90 Construction appropriation, which has, in recent years, amounted to $12,000 annually. For the next five years at least, this money will be spent on South River Road with the expectation that the road will be completed within that time. The ultimate objective, of course, is to obtain reasonable width for all town roads and to hard-top them. Some idea of how remote that objective is can be obtained by considering the six roads covered in the accompanying chart, bearing in mind that the cost estimates are based on present prices and that very little permanent improvement can be accomplished except by means of the Chapter 90 Construction allotment, although in favorable years a relatively small amount of Chapter 81 funds can be used for this purpose.

Legate Hill Road – Estimated cost of hard topping 2112 ft. is $3000. Upper end of road to remain in gravel indefinitely.

Mountain Road – To hard top remaining 11,616 ft. will cost $20,000. Widening bridges to 24 ft. width will cost $40,000.

West Oxbow Road – First 2000 ft. to be relocated to provide safe entrance to Route 2 at a cost of $3000. To hard-top balance of road will cost $20,000. Widening bridges will cost $15,000.

Maxwell Road – $1500 required to blast ledge west of Hicks Road. $30,000 required to widen bridges. $25,000 required to reconstruct and hard-top entire length.

Tower Road – 2692 ft. of unimproved section to be hard-topped– $3000.

Burrington Road – $3500 required to hard top remaining unimproved portion.

Just in case you are still with us, the foregoing estimates total $164,000, a 15 year program at the very minimum, and only 13 miles of the town's 27 miles of unimproved roads have been considered.

A PROPOSAL FOR A HISTORY OF CHARLEMONT

Two hundred odd years ago Captain Rice met his death behind his log fort in Charlemont. In 1965 it will be two hundred years since the incorporation of Charlemont, which will call for a bicentennial celebration. Recent years have brought an increased interest in the history of the frontier towns of Pioneer Valley. The traditions and history of Charlemont are an impartant part of the attraction that brings the modern tourist over the Mohawk Trail. It is a fitting time for Charlemont to record its past in a book available to all.

It is proposed that a start be made by making initial research into the papers and documents, maps and pictures, and into the memories of our older citizens; by outlining chapter by chapter what such a history should contain; by drafting some of these chapters, and by securing the means of writing the others.

Such a history would delineate our remembered hills, recall and honor our first settlers; record our town in war and peace; tell of its churches and schools, its farms and mines and hisdustries, its houses and buildings; its roads and bridges; give a history of its town government, its organizations and clubs, of its Fair and Yankee Doodle Days; speak briefly of our well known citizens and of the town's trials, tribulations, joys and successes. ((It would probably not be able to record genealogy nor write of every building in town). Such a history would be of interest not only to our present citizens, but to many who have left the town. It would jog the memories of the old and educate their descendants. It would awaken the interest of visitor and and tourist.

If $500.00 were placed in the hands of the Selectmen to be used during 1959 by them at their discretion for the futherance of this project, the initial research, drafting, and mustering of contributions could be made. With the knowledge of what we have, with the beginning of the writing, and with concrete and explicit proposals to bring a book to press, the next Town Meeting could decide whether such a history as proposed should become a reality. It would be contemplated that the sales of books would perhaps return to the town any outlays thus made.

ALLAN HEALY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL

Gerald T. Raymond, Chairman	Term Expires 1959
Emma B. Vincent, Secretary	Term Expires 1961
W. Payson Stafford	Term Expires 1960
Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term	
Opens January 5, 1959	Closes February 20, 1959
Second Winter Term	
Opens March 2, 1959	Closes April 17, 1959
Spring Term	
Opens April 27, 1959	(Elem.) Closes June 12, 1959
	(High) Closes June 19, 1959
Fall Term	Opens September 9, 1959

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday	March 27, 1959
Columbus Day	October 12, 1959
Teachers' Convention (Tentative)	October 21, 1959
Teachers' Visiting Day (Tentative)	October 28, 1959
Veterans' Day	November 11, 1959
Thanksgiving Day	Closes noon November 25, 1959
Christmas Holidays	Closes December 23, 1959

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my third annual report.

It is a pleasure to report that I feel we have made much progress in the past year even though there is much yet to be done! (See Principal's Report).

The regional school building, after almost five years of service, shows little of the wear and tear that one would expect. A maintenance policy of doing a little each year has contributed to this and should avoid any major outlay in any one year.

A room in the high school building was renovated for a special class which opened last September. The high school building is the one with which I am most concerned. It would be impossible to list all of the things which should have attention in the immediate future, particularly if we abandon the regional 7–12 program. Although the brick structure is sound, continual replacement of wooden window and door frames is necessary. Improved lighting in the classrooms is being contemplated. Worn out plumbing and heating lines must gradually be replaced. Much could and should be done to fireproof certain areas to make the building safer. The unfortunate part of such extensive repairs still leaves us with a building 60 years old and does not provide better educational facilities nor help us provide additional space which will be needed in the next few years. This problem should be of the utmost concern to all taxpayers.

My annual town reports are intended to keep you abreast of current changes in the local schools. It is my feeling, however, that sound educational practices should not vary significantly from one community to another. For this reason I would suggest that through Union efforts you might well study the future of education in the area and draw some definite conclusions.

There can be no question that some things in education are beyond our financial means at the present time. I am certain, however, that our Union can and should afford the best basic educational program possible. If there must be a difference in educational attainment, I feel it should be in specialized areas only. In other words, that which we choose to provide for our children should be in terms of quality rather than quantity.

A brief look at the history of educational demands tells a significant story. We have progressed from a time when formal education was available to a voluntary, capable few to the present status where compulsory attendance for nearly all is required, regardless of ability. Gradually, the number of years desired has increased from no formal education to the grammar school diploma, to the high school diploma, to the college degree. There is vital interest in the public junior colleges even now.

Our basic program has progressed from the three R's to a broad and varied curriculum in the elementary schools. The high schools have introduced many additional areas of study to keep up with public demands. Special attention for the retarded and the gifted child is being incorporated into more school systems every year.

If we assume that education is provided basically to prepare the child to become a successful citizen and then consider what he might need for this purpose, there can be no question that expansion of the school program must be accomplished. More leisure time, advanced technical knowledge and various social changes are but a few of the many things which have increased the responsibility of rearing our youth today. Parents and schools must share this responsibility, of course, but are they capable of keeping up with these changes? They must be if we are to survive as a nation.

Some of the questions which are continually under scrutiny to meet the above demands are: How long should the school day be? How many days a year should be required? How many grades in school should be available? How much work outside of the school day should be required? How much adult education can we provide which will help us accomplish our goals? What should we afford to add to our present programs? What can we do to make use of out-of-school time to help our cause? How can we most efficiently attain our goals of education?

As you probably are aware, recent changes in school committee policies are attempts to answer these questions in hopes of providing more and better education. Concerning the last question, however, I would like to elaborate. It is my sincere hope that there will eventually be available to all in the school union a special class, individual grades K-14, remedial teachers as needed, and a complete program of studies available at all grade levels.

It stands to reason, and there is evidence to prove, that these advantages could only become a reality when dealing with larger numbers. My firm belief is that three schools serving the towns of Union No. 21 and others would most efficiently meet these needs. The first, a regional elementary school serving grades K-6 and a special class; the second, a regional high school serving grades 7-12; and the third, a public junior college of grades 13 and 14 at the county level. Whether these schools will become a reality remains to be seen even though there is no other satisfactory solution to the problem within our financial means.

Please do not be hasty to vote aside the possibility of a regional school program of grades 7 - 12. Destroying all efforts to date will neither improve education nor save money in the years ahead – of this I am sure!

Coming closer to our immediate problems is my approach to administrative challenge to provide better education as economically as possible. It is my belief that classroom instruction i.e. the teacher – is the all important key to success. Hard work and cooperative efforts in a harmonious atmosphere contributes most to progress.

Close supervisory help, visiting days, workshops, courses of study, and participation in activities of professional organizations add much more to the quality of instruction than can be told here. I recommend that they be continued and in some cases increased.

I also sincerely believe that for one to be successful one should have a program. Mine is to make the present facilities and staff as desirable as possible by techniques mentioned above and, when and if this is achieved, to gradually add to our present facilities those more desirable things which we are presently doing without.

I have no delusions of grandeur. It is with great pride, respect and humility that I herewith submit my annual report. I know full well that any success I have or may achieve is due to the efforts of a fine staff and especially due to the confidence which you citizens have placed in your school committee and myself. I hope you will continue this confidence in us and will support us on the vital issues in days to come.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON L. TILLEY
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I hereby submit my third annual report as Principal of Charlemont High and Hawlemont Regional Schools.

The year 1958 was a memorable one for education. As soon as Russia's "Sputnik" hit the outer space in October 1957, the education of our children became the most popular topic of the American Public. Never before has the public read and written so many articles on elementary, secondary and college education.

Some of the articles have been critical, some controversial, some invalid, and some articles have praised our educational system. The authors of these articles have ranged from leaders in the field of education to people who have not visited a public school since they terminated their own public school education.

The articles concerning the public schools have covered almost every area in the field of education. In light of all the publicity on education, I would like to tell you how Charlemont's Educational System stands in some of the most frequently discussed areas.

The length of the school day. Dr. Owen B. Kiernan, Commissioner of Education of Massachusetts, has stated that elementary schools should run a minimum of five hours a day and high schools five and one-half hours a day exclusive of lunch or other recesses. School opens at 8:30 A.M. in both the Hawlemont Regional Elementary School and Charlemont High School. Our schools close at 3:00 P.M. each day. Grades 1–3 are in school, excluding recesses and lunch period (sixty-five minutes), five hours and twenty-five minutes each day. Grades 4-6 are in school, excluding recesses and lunch period (sixty minutes), five hours and thirty minutes each day. Grades 7-12 are in school excluding lunch period (thirty minutes), six hours each day. As far as time is concerned, our youngsters are, and have been, going to school for a longer school day than many schools in the Commonwealth.

The stressing of Mathematics and Science. Instruction in arithmetic and science starts in Grade 1 in our schools. All students must take at least nine years of mathematics before graduating from Charlemont High School. Each student must take at least ten years of science before graduation. Any interested, capable, student is able to elect four years of study in science. The four science courses are: General Science, Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Chemistry and Physics are offered on a college preparatory level. A capable student may

elect four years of study in mathematics. The courses in mathematics are: General Mathematics, Algebra I, Algebra II, Plane Geometry and Advanced Mathematics. The courses in Algebra I, and II, Geometry and Advanced Mathematics are offered on a college preparatory level.

A science course of study was started in December 1958. The purposes of this course of study are to better coordinate the teaching of science throughout the twelve grades and to determine the feasibility of continuing to offer General Science at the ninth grade level. After such an intensive preparation in science for eight years, we are wondering if General Science is offering and will continue to offer, a challenge to students in grade nine. Perhaps we should offer an entirely different course in place of General Science. This course of study is one example of how we are striving to select and provide the best education possible for our youngsters. During the fall we had an "Atomic World Assembly Program" at Charlemont High School. This Program came from Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

The role of Social Studies (Social Sciences) in the School Program. Some people feel that the study of government, history and geography are not as important as mathematics and science. We believe, however, that man can only advance scientifically as fast as man is able to understand and govern himself. A student graduating from Charlemont High School has had the opportunity of electing twelve years of study in the social studies area. The social studies courses offered in high school are: Civics, World History, United States History and Problems of Democracy. Each student must elect at least three years of social studies in high school – Civics, World History and United States History.

A social studies course of study was completed in 1958. This study revealed that there should be a greater emphasis placed on the study of the government of town, county and state of Massachusetts. Also, the content of United States History was too great to be completed in one year. Starting in September, 1958, there has been a greater emphasis placed on the study of our local and state government. In September, 1959, Grade 7 will study United States History up to the Civil War Period and Grade 8 will study United States History from the Civil War Period up to the present time. This course of study was a continuation of a Social Studies Workshop held in the fall of 1957. This workshop was held at Hawlemont Regional School under the direction of a State Department of Education representative and the staff of Union No. 21. Staff members from neighboring schools also attended this workshop.

The teaching of foreign languages in high school. Charlemont High School has been offering two years of French and two years of Latin on a college preparatory level. Several studies by educators have indicated that two years of a foreign language are not enough. A foreign language should be offered at least three years and four years of a foreign language is the best preparation. Also, if only two years of a foreign language are offered, it means that quite often a student finishes his foreign language at the end of his sophomore year. If this student is planning to go on to a college requiring a college entrance examination in a foreign language, he will be handicapped by having a two year lapse between his last year in the foreign language and his college board examination.

During the month of December, questionnaires were sent to ten representative New England Colleges requesting the college's opinion on the advisability of Charlemont High School offering three years of one foreign language in place of two years of two foreign languages. The colleges were also asked if they preferred a particular foreign language. Only a few of the questionnaires have been received and no final conclusion can be made for this report.

The turnover of the teaching staff. Most school systems have a great turnover in their teaching staff each year. The Charlemont High and Hawlemont Regional Schools did not lose a single classroom teacher this last year. The only change in our staff was in the music area. Mrs. Caroline Dorst is now Music Supervisor in place of Mrs. Carol Cowell.

A good school system must satisfy the educational needs of its pupils. A small school system can not have a broad enough program to provide for the educational needs of every single pupil. The small system should provide educational opportunities for the majority of its students.

The administration and staff of Charlemont High School have wondered if our present program of studies has been satisfying. the educational needs of the majority of our students. Charlemont High School has a program of studies that provides for: (1) a college preparatory course (if a student has the ability he can go directly from C.H.S. into a college of engineering, liberal arts, business administration, etc.), (2) a commercial course, both terminal and preparation for business or secretarial school, and (3) a general course which provides a basic education for a student who wishes to end his education with his high school diploma. (The general course also provides a strong enough preparation for some nursing schools and for some secretarial

schools.) Generally speaking, our program is designed to provide an education for pupils planning to go on to school after graduation from high school and for pupils wishing a strong general academic education in preparation for becoming a well-informed citizen.

This past fall we checked the records of the graduates of the classes of 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957 and 1958. Seventy-one students have graduated from Charlemont High School in the last seven years. Thirty-seven of these students have entered schools of higher learning. We also checked on the number of students from Charlemont who are currently enrolled in other secondary schools on a tuition basis. At the present time the Town of Charlemont is paying tuition for two students, and one of these students just moved into town in the summer of 1958. Both of these students are enrolled in the vocational education program of Greenfield High School.

From the records of our recent graduates and from the number of students now enrolled in the secondary schools on a tuition basis, we feel the program of studies at Charlemont High School is certainly providing for the educational needs of the majority of our students.

While I believe the educational system of Charlemont to be a good one, I don't believe we can stand still and congratulate ourselves. Our world is constantly changing and as our world changes, so must our educational program change to keep us "up-to-date". Additional courses of study in physical education, foreign languages and guidance are needed. The Charlemont High School Library is inadequate in space and reference material. Our extra-curricular and non-academic activities should be increased. The physical plant (C.H.S.) needs to be enlarged in the very near future. Our present enrollment in Grades 7–12 is 99 students and in Grades 1–6 we have 163 pupils. On a six-year basis this is a 60% increase in enrollment.

The people of Charlemont are to be congratulated on their willingness to provide the means to support a good educational program for their children. Your interest and support have made it possible for us to continue to improve our system each year.

My sincere appreciation to the School Committee, Superintendent Wilson L. Tilley, the faculty, parents and students for their excellent cooperation throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. JACKMAN
Principal

GRADUATION PROGRAM

CLASS MOTTO

Education Is The Cornerstone Of A Nation

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Raymond C. Streeter
Vice-President	Ralph J. King
Secretary	Janice A. Dickinson
Treasurer	Ezilda L. Galipo

CLASS ROLL

Peter H. Avery
Ernest C. Cetto
Janice A. Dickinson
Ezilda L. Galipo
James D. Heist
Ralph J. King
Bruce A. Maxwell
Sylvia V. Peters
William H. Stafford
Janice E. Stanford
June A. Stiles
Raymond C. Streeter
*Ruth E. Willis

*Pro Merito

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Gerald T. Raymond
Mr. William P. Stafford
Mrs. Leslie F. Vincent

FACULTY

Wilson L. Tilley, Supt.
Robert H. Jackman, Prin.
Mrs. Charles C. Gray
Mrs. Edward R. Harris, Jr.
Miss Lucille M. Mackler
Mrs. Clayburn C. Rich
Mrs. Donald T. Upton
Mr. Leonard Yarrows

Accompanist	Mrs. Winston Healy
Marshal	John A. Streeter, President Class of 1959

GRADUATION PROGRAM

Processional	
Invocation	Reverend Father Gerald J. Sullivan
Salutatory Address	Janice A. Dickinson
Class History	William H. Stafford

Songs

Trees, Words by Joyce Kilmer	Music by Oscar Rasback
For America – Robert W. Gibb	Glee Club
Class Will	June A. Stiles
Class Prophecy	Sylvia V. Peters
Commencement Address	"Graduation Thoughts" William R. Barry, Supt. of Schools, Northampton, Massachusetts
Presentation of Class Gift	James D. Heist
Dedication of Yearbook	Peter H. Avery
Senior Address	Janice E. Stanford

Songs

Old Vienna (Emperor Waltz)	Johannes Strauss
He Jack Richards	
Presentation of Awards	
American Legion	Patrick J. Coyne Post No. 171
School Awards	Robert H. Jackman, Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	Wilson L. Tilley, Supt.
Class Song	
Benediction	Reverend Walter G. Hillis
Recessional	
Receiving Line	

CHARLEMONT PUPILS
MEMBERSHIP BY AGE & GRADE
October 1, 1958

AGES

GRADE	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	TOTAL
OPP.				1		1		1	1	1							5
1	4	16															20
2		2	15	2	1												20
3			7	11	4												22
4				3	11	8											22
5				1	7	4	1	1									14
6					3	2	9	2	2								18
7							8		3		1						12
8								1	5	4		1					11
9									3	10	2		1				16
10											8	1		1			10
11											2	9	3	1		1	16
12													4				4
TOTAL	4	18	22	18	26	15	18	5	14	15	13	11	8	2		1	190

REPORT OF HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Helen Stiles, Chairman	Term Expires 1960
Gerald T. Raymond, Vice-Chairman	Term Expires 1959
Gertrude L. Ogden, Secretary	Term Expires 1959
Emma B. Vincent	Term Expires 1961
W. Payson Stafford	Term Expires 1960
Clayburn C. Rich	Term Expires 1961

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT OF THE HAWLEMONT REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET

Operation-Maintenance

1. The agreement stipulates that this portion of the budget is determined on a per pupil basis by using the enrollment in the District School from each member town as of October 1st of the preceding year.

2. On October 1, 1957 there were 48 children from Hawley and 135 children from Charlemont attending this school.

3. Therefore, the operational percentage for Hawley is 26.23% and 73.77% for Charlemont.

4. Estimated reimbursements of $14,900 for 1958 were deducted from the 1958 appropriation, making the sum to be assessed to both towns $56,205.00

5. Therefore, operation-maintenance cost to both towns is as follows:

Charlemont	$41,462.43	
Hawley	14,742.57	
		$56,205.00

Debt and Interest

1. The agreement stipulates that Hawley pay 21 per cent and Charlemont 79 percent of this cost. Each year this amount will decrease and for 1958 it was $26,737.50. This was a decrease of $550.00 over 1957's payment. State reimbursements on the cost of the building was $9,596.46 which made the share to each town as follows:

Charlemont	$13,541.42	
Hawley	3,599.62	
		$17,141.04

Total Cost to Both Towns

	Charlemont	Hawley
Operation-Maintenance	$41,462.43	$14,742.57
Debt & Interest	13,541.42	3,599.62
Combined Assessment	$55,003.85	$18,342.19

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Treasurer's Report

Jan. 1st. 1958, cash on hand	$30,006.77	
Received:		
Town of Charlemont, budget	55,003.85	
Town of Hawley, budget	18,342.19	
Town of Rowe, tuition	3,200.00	
Town of Rowe, office rent	50.00	
Town of Heath, tuition	480.00	
Town of Heath, office rent	50.00	
State Treasurer, payment on approved school:		
Construction	8,967.60	
School Transportation	16,535.68	
Special Class	675.14	
Cafeteria funds	11,635.57	
Income tax, retirement, & Blue Cross deductions	693.31	
		$145,640.11

Paid:		
Operation warrants	$70,523.67	
Debet and interest warrants	26,737.50	
Cafeteria warrants	13,152.17	
Available funds, Hawlemont school	34,973.01	
Available funds, cafeteria	253.76	
		$145,640.11

Respectfully submitted,

F. DEANE CARTER
Treasurer

CHART OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL – TEACHERS

Regional and High School

Name	Position	Experience	Professional Training
WILSON L. TILLEY	Superintendent	9 Years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
ROBERT H. JACKMAN	Principal-Teacher	7 Years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
FRANCES A. GRAY	Gr. 8-12 English	12 Years	B.S. Boston University School of Chinese Stud., Peiping, China
ELIZABETH HARRIS	U. S. History, Civics Gr. 7-8 Social Studies & Science	21 Years	B.A. Alfred University Columbia University Hofstra College
KATHLEEN P. UPTON	Gr. 7 English & 7 & 8 Math Gr. 9 - 12 Languages	4 Years	B.A. University of Massachusetts
LEONARD A. YARROWS	Gr. 9 - 12 Math & Science	2 Years	B.S. University of Massachusetts
LUCILLE M. DOLGIN	Commercial Studies	7 Years	B.S. American International College
WINIFRED D. LOONEY	Grade 6	12 Years	Framingham Normal School
THELMA PURINTON	Grade 5	15 Years	North Adams Normal School
GLADYS CLARK	Grade 4	18 Years	Aroostook State Normal School
B. CONSTANCE POLLARD	Grade 3	26 Years	North Adams Normal School
HAZEL N. RICHMOND	Grade 2	14 Years	North Adams Normal School
VERNA TAYLOR	Grade 1	5 Years	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
GRACE RAYMOND	Opportunity Class	8 Years	Fitchburg Normal School

CAROL COWELL (Resigned)	Music Supervisor	2 Years	New England Conservatory of Music
CAROLINE DORST	Music Supervisor	3 Years	A.B. Middlebury College
BEDA LANGEVIN	Lip Reading & Speech Therapy	20 Years	B.S. University of New Hampshire Clarke School for Deaf
JEANETTE RICH	Art Supervisor	16 Years	B.S. Massachusetts School of Art

Rinehart Handwriting System

NON-TEACHING PERSONNEL

Ann E. Doyle	Secretary
Will C. Turner	School Custodian - Charlemont High School
Charles Purinton	School Custodian - Hawlemont Regional School
Gertrude Maynard	Cafeteria Manager
Grace Stafford	Cafeteria Assistant
Dorothy Morehouse, R.N.	School Nurse
Samuel J. Galbo, M.D.	School Doctor
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE

Russell C. Denison, Chairman	Town of Colrain
William Payson Stafford, Vice Chairman	Town of Charlemont
Robert J. Haeberle*	Town of Buckland
John William Lawless	Town of Buckland
Bernard H. Shippee	Town of Buckland
Dr. Charles Streeter	Town of Charlemont
James H. Cromack	Town of Colrain
Malcolm P. Chattin	Town of Heath
Lauriston D. Koonz	Town of Shelburne
Erving S. Kendrick	Town of Shelburne
Clayburn C. Rich	Town of Hawley

*Deceased

APPOINTMENTS

Donald A. Fisher, Superintendent
Frederic P. Gray, Treasurer
Esther T. Anderson, Secretary
Donald T. Hillier, Attorney
Warren H. Ashley & Associates, Architect
Dr. Herbert B. Bruner & Associates, Educational Consultants

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dr. Harold Toy	Town of Buckland
Harry L. Purinton	Town of Charlemont
Donald G. Shearer	Town of Colrain
F. Deane Carter	Town of Hawley
Frank I. Gleason	Town of Heath
Parker R. Shaw	Town of Shelburne

To the Towns in the Mohawk Trail Regional School District:

This is the third annual report of the Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee to the citizens of the six towns comprising the district.

During the past year this Committee has been faced with numerous obstacles brought about by some voters of the Region who are not in agreement with your instructions to this school

planning committee. At the annual town meeting of some of the member towns there will be an article to withdraw from the Mohawk Trail Regional School District. The majority of this committee feels that withdrawing at this time would be premature.

Our proposed Operating Budget is set up with the assumption that the Committee will be planning for a new school for the Region. Because of the withdrawal of Buckland and Shelburne last February the Committee was unable to continue actively planning a new school. Therefore, we have an unexpended balance in our operating account which will enable the Committee to continue planning without additional appropriations from the member towns.

Our Capital Budget is required to make the second payment of $8,000 plus the interest on the present balance of $16,000 on our original $25,000 bond issue. This amount must be raised and appropriated regardless of the future of the Region.

Despite the many obstacles faced by the Region the problem of providing more adequate and educationally desirable facilities for the youth of this area remains unsolved.

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Balance 1/1/58			$18,624.80
Receipts 1958:			
Town of Buckland		$ 3,686.00	
Town of Charlemont		1,334.25	
Town of Colrain		2,293.50	
Town of Hawley		382.25	
Town of Heath		499.00	
Town of Shelburne		3,680.00	
			11,875.00
			30,499.80
Payments 1958:			
Operating:			
Salary Supt.	$ 105.70		
Telephone	22.05		
Bond-Treasurer	19.00		
Salary Secretary	64.50		
Legal Expenses	1,550.00		
Committee Expense	46.47	1,807.72	
		1,807.72	
Construction:			
Land Survey	990.30		
Preliminary Plans	7,500.00		
		8,490.30	
Capital:			
Payment on Note Shel. Falls Natl. Bank	99000.00		
Payment of Interest	875.00		
		9,875.00	
Total Payments			20,173.02
Balance Dec. 31, 1958			$10,326.78

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

PROPOSED BUDGET – 1959

Telephone		$ 175.00
Bond - Treasurer		400.00
Salary, Travel-Treasurer		400.00
Salary, Secretary		250.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Postage		100.00
Printing		100.00
Auditing		125.00
Legal Counsel		800.00
Committee Expense		250.00
Salary - Superintendent		500.00
		$3,150.00
	Unexpended Balance	3,150.00
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Interest on $16,000 @ 3 1/2%		560.00
Payment of Notes due 11-1-59		8,000.00
		$8,560.00
Buckland's Share	32%	2,739.20
Charlemont	11	941.60
Colrain	18	1,540.80
Heath	4	342.40
Hawley	3	256.80
Shelburne	32	2,739.20
		$8,560.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Herewith is submitted the tenth annual report of the Finance Committee.

During the course of the year authorization has been given several times for the transfer of funds from the Reserve Fund to other accounts for which the original appropriation was not adequate. Record of these transfers can be found in the report of Town Expenditures.

The Committee has worked with the Selectmen in the preparation of the 1959 Budget and once again has found it difficult to keep the amounts to be appropriated from going up. Several of the increases fall in categories over which the town has little control, such as Public Assistance, Soldiers' Benefits and schools. To help offset these necessary increases, both your Selectmen and the Finance Committee have conscientiously tried to keep other expenses at a minimum. In this endeavor it was decided that no change should be made in our street lights. At the present the cost for operating sixty-five lights is $1170 a year, or at the rate of $18 per light. If the power company's request for an increase in rates should be granted, our rate would go up to $25 per light, making a yearly expense of $1625. Although the new lights which have been installed on a trial basis give much more illumination than our old ones, they would cost us $40 per light a year whether the new rate went into effect or not. It was felt that this was not the time to make such a change.

The Finance Committee would like to point out that the removal of the appropriation for swimming classes from the warrant does not indicate that the Committee is not in favor of the swimming classes themselves. It has been brought to light that local organizations would be willing to share in this expense. Although it may seem a small amount to try to save in comparison to other amounts to be raised by the Town, we feel we must take advantage of every opportunity to save wherever it is possible.

The Committee is in the process of preparing a chart comparing the actual 1958 appropriations with the proposed 1959 appropriations which will be distributed at Town Meeting for the convenience of the voters. We hope that it will help you to become better acquainted with your town finances and serve as a guide to more intelligent voting.

D. A. LANOUE
LESLIE VINCENT
ANN E. DOYLE

ANNUAL REPORT OF ASSESSORS

The year 1958 brought several changes in this office. With regrets and many thanks for work well done we said goodby to Mrs. Winifred E. Spear who has served the community for sixteen years. We wish her many pleasant years of life in this valley of ours.

The Board now holds regular meetings from 8 to 10 P.M. on the first Wednesday in each month except December at the office in the town hall. During December we meet on the second Wednesday. The Board uses the Selectmen's room and finds it most convenient.

To further increase the efficiency of our office we are investigating the purchase of aerial photographs of the town to be used as a base for a tax map. It is felt that this is the most economical way of procuring such a tax map.

At the annual town meeting in 1957 it was voted that the Board of Assessors should publish the list of tax valuations on a once in three years basis. As this is one of the off years we would like to take this opportunity to explain some of the other aspects of this office.

The following figures will show you how your 1958 tax rate was determined.

Total appropriation as certified by the Town Clerk to be raised by taxation	$143,923.77	
Total appropriation voted to be taken from available funds	37,137.41	
State Assessments		
State Parks and Reservations	477.69	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	888.62	
1957 Underestimate – Parks and Reservations	13.16	
County Assessments		
County Tax	5,734.92	
County of Franklin Retirement System balance not provided	320.21	
Overlay of current year	3,433.82	
Gross amount to be raised		$191,929.60
Estimated receipts and available funds:		
Income tax	14,163.26	
Corporation taxes	3,547.83	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	988.10	
Old Age Tax	694.78	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	10,000.00	
Licenses	3,000.00	
Fines	25.00	
General Government	500.00	

Protection of Persons and Property		100.00	
Charities (other than federal grants)		500.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)		13,000.00	
Veterans Services		800.00	
School		11,125.00	
Interest on Taxes		200.00	
Farm Animal Excise		250.00	
County Tax (Overestimate of previous year to be used as available funds)		41.63	
Amount voted to be taken from available funds		37,137.41	
Total estimated receipts and available funds			96,073.01
Net amount to be raised by taxation on Polls and Property			95,856.59
Total Valuation			
244 Polls at $2.00		488.00	
Personal Property	161,540.00	10,015.48	
Real Estate	1,376,663.00	85,353.11	
Tax Rate $62.00			95,856.59

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD W. RAYMOND
SHERMAN T. PIKE
NORMAN W. HAWKES

Board of Assessors

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1955 Taxes Outstanding:		
Personal Property.....	$ 143.96	
Real Estate	414.26	
		$ 558.22
1956 Taxes Outstanding:		
Poll	$ 6.00	
Personal Property.....	608.35	
Real Estate	1,003.95	
Motor Excise	549.17	
		$ 2,167.47
1957 Taxes Outstanding:		
Poll	$ 64.00	
Personal Property.....	496.16	
Real Estate	2,931.49	
Motor Excise	1,799.73	
Farm Animal Exises.....	10.50	
		$ 5,301.88
1958 Taxes Outstanding:		
Poll	$ 134.00	
Personal Property.....	709.90	
Real Estate	10,499.67	
Motor Excise	2,475.49	
Farm Animal Excise.....	34.26	
		$13,853.22

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. WILLIS

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NURSE

The Western Franklin Public Health District activities include a generalized health service to folks of all ages in Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe. The total number of visits in the District were 1,035.

In general, the health of the school children was better. No serious defects were found in the physical examinations. Any defects, not known to the parents, are reported to them. The need for dental care is still outstanding. Watch those permanent teeth! Extraction of these – due to long neglected cavities leaves a poor "bite". Regular, thorough brushing removes food particles and greatly helps to prevent decay.

Cold weather brings upper respiratory illnesses. How they spread in the schools! Early care pays off. A Thank You – to parents who keep sick pupils home. A and D Vitamins are available all the school year. They do help for better health.

Contagious diseases were less – but Heath School did have a run of Measles and in Rowe, a few cases.

Fewer pupils failed the Mass. Vision Test, given to each pupil. Failure, after retest, is reported to the parent. One little girl with new glasses said, "I like them – things are much nearer to me now!" Strabismus (cross eye) needs an eye specialist's attention when the child is small – untreated, it may lead to blindness later on .

With our new Pure Tone Audiometer, Mrs. Beda Langevin tested, individually, all pupils in the schools. The 3 with marked hearing loss have been checked by an ear specialist. A preschool child – question deafness – the hearing test done – boy o.k.

All pupils were weighed and measured. A guide to year around health.

Three Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus immunization clinics, for school and preschool, were held this year. Pupils 11 years old and older had the Adult Diphtheria and Tetanus

shots. A few started late or were ill and did not complete the series – the family doctor would then carry on.

Number of children who completed immunization:

High School	3 shots	27	Booster	5
Hawlemont School	3 shots	54	Booster	74
Heath School	3 shots	17	Booster	20
Rowe School	3 shots	3	Booster	4
Preschool				
Charlemont	3 shots	14	Booster	22
Hawley	3 shots	6	Booster	9
Heath	3 shots	1	Booster	13
Rowe	3 shots	1	Booster	7

The Annual Well Child Conferences were held at the Hawlemont School in July. Dr. M. B. Low was the examining physician. Mrs. George Coombs was the nutritionist and Mrs. Robert McIntosh, Jr. the dental hygienist. Dr. Low's "Well Child" recording is a great satisfaction to the mother. Abnormal conditions are referred to the family doctor. The attendance was: Charlemont – 67, Hawley – 27, Heath – 39 and Rowe – 14.

A school child was stung on the tongue while eating fruit out of doors. Bee or hornet stings of the tongue can be fatal. They light on the fruit while the child is eating. Watch this for little tots and warn older children to look at each bite.

Home visits under New Born, Infant, Preschool, School Home, Crippled Children and Adult Health were made – to aid toward good health and the correction of defects.

A Red Cross Modified Home Nursing course was given to the Senior and Junior High School Girls. They learned, by practicing on each other, how to give care and comfort to a sick or helpless person in the home.

Adult Polio clinics, for the 4 Towns, were sponsored by the Heath and Rowe Granges. About 90 adults were immunized. Be wise – immunize! It was a fine community project.

To Greenfield Health Camp went 2 girls and 2 boys – from Charlemont, Hawley and Heath. One girl gained 7 lbs. and a boy 6! The Salvation Army helped with the expenses of this project.

May I thank the Teachers, in all the schools, for watching the health of their pupils so closely. They really do a fine job in giving First Aid or keeping an eye on a "not feeling well" child, resting on a cot. Most always I may be located to go to a school if an emergency arises.

It is truly a pleasure to work in such friendly Towns. We sincerely thank the many individuals and the organizations that have done so much to help make the health program of the Western Franklin Public Health District a success.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R.N.
District Nurse

ANNUAL REPORT

1958

of

Contributed to many charities.
Had excellent cooperation at fires from townspeople.
Annual banquet in April – fine evening.
Responded to sixteen fire calls in 1958.
Learned new fire fighting methods.
Entered floats in Greenfield Fair parade – many laughs.
Many children benefited from Red Cross Swimming Class.
Officers – Frank Wells, Ken Henderson, Roger Willis, Ray Willis.
New equipment – fender loud speaker, shortwave radio
Took Little Leaguers to Boston Red Sox game.

Furnished oranges for children's school Christmas party.
Interesting meetings held every month.
Ran Yankee Doodle Days Bridge dance
Excellent Little League Baseball season under Joe Kolnacki

Drilled to improve in fire fighting procedure.
Enjoyed working with other departments.
Promise to continue doing our best.
Take care – prevent fires during 1959.

RAY C. WILLIS
Secretary

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Selectmen and the people of the Town of Charlemont I submit the annual report as Chief of Police of the Town of Charlemont.

I have received reports and investigated or assisted the State Police at nine auto accidents. Two of them could have turned out disastrously. The others were of minor damages or slight injuries. Four summonses were served for other police departments. Twenty three calls were received and investigated. One of them was the break at the Hawlemont Regional School where no money was taken but damage to the interior was extensive. This break as in the other has not been solved yet. There were nineteen motor vehicle transfers to make out and sign.

I have received notice that eight operators have had their licenses suspended and three have had their licenses revoked. I have fingerprinted and processed thirty pistol permits this year.

Twenty nine arrests were made this year.

Cause of arrests	No. of arrests
Speeding	8
Drunkenness	10
Driving under the influence	5
Passing with view obstructed	2
No sticker	1
Following too close	1
Without license	1
Care in Starting	1

The financial report of the Department will be found on a separate page of this report.

Again I must express my thanks to the personnel of the Shelburne State Police for the help they have given me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS C. ANNEAR, Sr.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

During 1958 a new set of Encyclopedia Americana was purchased for the library. Yearbooks will be added as published.

In cooperation with the school an experimental summer reading program for children was sponsored. For each eight books from a standard reading list, read and reported upon by the child, a book was given as a prize. Eleven children completed the requirements.

The above projects were financed by the special reserve fund available through Tyler Memorial funds.

A survey as to preference in books was made by contacting several townspeople of diversified interests. Submitted lists were studied and as many of these books as were feasible were purchased.

Four chairs were added to the library furnishings.

The trustees hope that some satisfactory disposition of the Tyler house may be made before further deterioration.

Disbursements of Tyler Memorial funds are contained in the Selectmen's and Treasurer's reports.

Respectfully sumbitted,

Blanche Hunt
Grace Gould
Stanton Kendrick

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The overall circulation for 1958 was, 14,238 which includes the circulation from the Library also from the Greenfield Library Center, via the Bookmobile. Circulation from the Bookmobile was 2857 – that from the Library was 11,381, – Adult fiction 5436, juvenile fiction 3118 – non fiction 869 and magazines 1958. Number of books added – 155. Those of outstanding merit – Masters of Deceit by J. Edgar Hoover G the FBI Story by Whitehead and Hoover – three Eric Sloan's books, American Barns and Covered Bridges, Our Vanishing Landscapes, and American Yesterdays; Ordeal of Woodrow Wilson, by Herbert Hoover; Come North with Me – Bernt Balchan; Changing Face of New England, Thomson; the Shelburne Town History; The Great Chain of Life, Krutch; Land Without Justice, Djilas; the new edition of Bartlett's Quotations; Audubon's Book of True Nature Stories; John Kieran's Treasury of Great Nature Writing. Do come in and get acquainted with the increased library facilities with better lighting, our added room and more chairs for your seating comfort! Library hours Wednesday from 2 till 5 – Saturdays, 2 till 5 – and from 7 till 9 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

PEARLE L. TANNER
Librarian

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

During the year 1958 several gatherings and picnics took place at Memorial Park, principally the "Yankee Doodle Days" festivities.

The only money spent for Park improvements was to replace window panes which had been broken.

Members of the Park Commission attended a meeting of the Lions Club in October when plans were made to improve the picnic area, and discuss the water supply.

Respectfully submitted,

AVIS M. CHURCHILL
CHARLES L. PURINTON

REPORT OF THE SANFORD FIFE FUND COMMITTEE

During 1958 disbursements totalling $786.50 were approved, covering hospital bills for two Charlemont residents.

HORACE E. WARFIELD
HARRY L. PURINTON
Committee

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Herewith is my fourteenth annual report as Director and Veterans' Agent for the Western Franklin Veterans' District.

Requests for Service during 1958 totalled 965. Thirty-nine boys registered for Selective Service and Fifty-two veterans applied for Medical and Hospital treatment. Compensation for war-service connected disability was applied for by Eleven veterans. Assistance was given in connection with Eighty-one applications for pensions by veterans with non-service total disabilities. Two hundred and thirteen requests were received for photostatic copies and we made One Thousand Two hundred and Sixty-seven prints.

Forty new applications were taken for assistance under the provisions of Chapter 115. Thirty-eight families, a total of 95 people, received assistance under this law during the year, for a total of Thirty-two active cases.

We have folders for One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy-nine veterans of all wars and have, in our card files the names, dates of birth and enlistment for all of these, together with the same for recent enlistments.

The total expense for administration of the District Office for the year was $5689.22. This amount was divided among the ten Towns, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 599, of the Acts of 1946, in proportion to their assessed valuation.

The finest co-operation has been received from Mr. Edward A. O'Neil at the Veterans' Administration office in Greenfield and the other Veterans' Agents with whom we have had contacts.

The continued concern of the Town Representatives with the problems of the District is very encouraging and is much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SCOTT
Director and Veterans' Agent

TRUSTEES OF EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Herewith is submitted the sixth annual report of the trustees of the East Charlemont School.

At a meeting of the trustees, the budget for the year 1959 was discussed. It was recommended that fifty dollars ($50) be appropriated for the coming year for maintenance and restoration.

The goal for the future is: redecorating the entrance hallway; painting the outside of the shed, and rebuilding of walls about the building.

During the year the roof of the shed was shingled, bad slate on main building replaced, the flag pole was painted and a new rope installed. The interior of the schoolroom has also been redecorated.

As so many shingles had blown off and could not be salvaged, an extra square of shingles had to be purchased. This plus labor costs, exceeded the appropriation of 1958.

More groups have used the building this past year than at any previous time. Each group is expected to furnish heat and do own janitor services. It is suggested that each group using the building leave it in an orderly condition.

We are extremely grateful to the East Charlemont Club for furnishing the labor costs in redecorating the interior of the schoolroom. We also extend our thanks to Colonel Adams, through whose efforts we secured a new flag for use at the school.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Clark, *Chairman*
Emma Fisk
Herbert Smith
Stanton Kendrick
Mabel V. Sears, *Clerk*

JURY LIST

1959

Ann E. Doyle, office clerk

Mabel V. Sears, retired school teacher

Roger E. McKinstry, motel owner

Glenn E. Adams, poultryman

Lawrence Burrington, employee Red Rose Restaurant

Leon H. Turner, garage and gunshop owner

Ernest R. Hicks, employee, Kendall Mills, Griswoldville

Harry F. Legate, retired

Robert J. King, owner, awning and upholstery business

Russell F. Dean, employee, Wirthmore Stores

Sherman T. Pike, Chief engineer, Kendall Mills, Griswoldville

S. Stuart Goddard, post office clerk

Maximilian P. Falandes, State Department of Public Works, Greenfield

REPORT OF THE WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT

The case load in the District has dropped off again this year. Monroe has no cases at the present. The increased need for nursing home care, hospital and other medical care has caused our payment to be higher.

The following is a statistical analysis of the District's activities:

Number of applications taken	16
Number of home visits made	185
Number of Office calls	37
Number of visits from State Area Representatives	21
Number of days Auditor at office	15
Number of Welfare Association Meetings attended	2
Number of conferences attended	1
Number of visits not classified as home visits	41

CHARLEMONT

	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Case load Jan.1,1958	28	3	1	0
New cases	5	0	0	5
Cases closed	8	0	0	5
Case load Jan.1,1959	25	3	1	0

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward from Dec. 31, 1958.....	$1,291.39	
Town Appropriations:		
Charlemont	672.00	
Hawley	192.00	
Heath	256.00	
Monroe	224.00	
Rowe	256.00	
Federal Grant Administration		
District OAA	2,558.70	
District ADC	814.10	
District DA	240.55	
State Administration		
District ADC	542.74	
District OAA	1,705.79	
District DA	141.52	
District GR	116.08	
Withholding tax, Federal	904.80	
County Retirement	316.44	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	50.10	
Phyllis L. Heist, Agent		$3,750.00
Transportation		186.16
Edith B. Lynch, Clerk		2,580.00
Mary L. Carpenter, Treasurer		100.00
Supplies and Communications		323.69
Bond for Treasurer		5.00
Town of Charlemont, rent		300.00
Assessed share - Franklin County Retirement		349.49
Withholding - Franklin County Retirement		316.44
Federal		904.80
Blue Cross and Blue Shield		50.10
Miscellaneous expenses		16.25
Credit balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1959		1,400.28
	10,282.21	$10,282.21

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS L. HEIST, Agent

I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1958.

Respectfully,

MARY L. CARPENTER, Treasurer

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT BUDGET

1959

RECEIPTS:

Balance brought forward
January 1, 1958 ..... $ 527.03

Salary - Agent	$3,750.00
Clerk	2,700.00
Treasurer	150.00
Telephone	100.00
Travel	240.00
Bonding Treasurer	5.00
Postage	140.00
Supplies	50.00
Misc. Charges	125.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin Co. Retirement	326.01
Medical Consultant Fee	120.00
Total	$8,006.01

Voted at the December 2, 1958 meeting that the towns assessed share would be $1,000 and the same percentages were to be used as in 1958.

Charlemont	42%	$420.00
Hawley	12%	120.00
Heath	16%	160.00
Monroe	14%	140.00
Rowe	16%	160.00

Balance brought forward from 1958	$1400.28
Estimated amount to be received:	
Federal	3700.00
State	2500.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

1958	Name	Parents
Jan. 13	Donald Herbert Crowningshield	Donald H. Crowningshield Erma A. Renolds
Jan. 16	Susan Mary Newell	Ralph Foster Newell Catherine Helena Poissant
Jan. 27	Christine Marie Lyman	Stephen Burt Lyman Joan Marie Gassett
Feb. 27	Mildred Margaret Pratt	Robert Jerome Pratt Mayabelle Pratt
Mar. 24	Michael Henry Noga	Henry Charles Noga Nina Elizabeth Britton
Apr. 15	Douglas Gary Giffin	Newell Sherman Giffin Gail Irene Herzig
Apr. 22	Loretta Jean Gould	Albert Lewis Gould Dorothy Mae Turner
May 7	Dennis Michael Annear	Cyrus Cobden Annear, Jr. Lucille Elizabeth Peters
June 26	Arthur William McHaffie	Thomas N. McHaffie Norma Fannie Harmon
July 21	Stephen Michael Yarrows	Leonard Anthony Yarrows Mary Lydia Kouniotis
Aug. 9	Kathy Ann Hicks	Walter William Hicks Beverly Jean McKinnon
Aug. 14	Jeffrey Hilliard Shaw	Lincoln Hilliard Shaw Margaret Lillian Rogers
Aug. 20	Barbara Ann Winslow	Dean Linwood Winslow Ann Patricia Tibbitts
Aug. 21	John Michael Peters, Jr.	John Michael Peters Valeda Rose St. Germaine
Sept. 4	Allen Wayne Avery	Peter Harlan Avery Emma Lucille Cilley
Oct. 31	Carole Lynn Stafford	Edward Russell Stafford Margaret Louise Erickson
Nov. 1	Lynn Ann Willard	Theodore Melvin Willard Suzanne Amelia Rice
Nov. 5	Robert Earl MacLean	Wallace Sterling MacLean Leona Ada Maynard
Nov. 20	Charlotte Ann Porrovecchio	Lewis William Porrovecchio Marjorie Ann Bellor
Dec. 10	Cynthia Dawn Rice	Donald Aubrey Rice Martha Annette Lynch

Comparison Table of Births

1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
10	18	14	15	20

MARRIAGES

1958	Name	Residence
Jan. 25	Gerald William Jubinville	Charlemont, Mass.
	Joanna Marie Bilhoefer	Charlemont, Mass.
Feb. 28	Donald Aubrey Rice	Charlemont, Mass.
	Martha Annette Lynch	Charlemont, Mass.
Mar. 2	Peter Harlan Avery	Charlemont, Mass.
	Emma Lucille Cilley	Charlemont, Mass.
Apr. 11	Lewis William Porrovecchio	Charlemont, Mass.
	Marjorie Bellor	Colrain, Mass.
June 14	Roger Ernest Warcup	Groton, Mass.
	Grace Stella (Wetherell) Webber	Groton, Mass.
Aug. 2	Gordon W. Griswold	Hawley, Mass.
	Annette E. Gould	Colrain, Mass.
Aug. 19	Leon J. McCarthy	Conway, Mass.
	Ruth Louise Fisher (Nee Grant)	Conway, Mass.
Sept. 5	Richard Allen Pearce	Warren, Vt.
	Bessie Louise Godfrey	West Fairlee, Vt..
Sept. 11	Joseph Charles Yando	East Islip, N.Y.
	Patricia Ann Stone	Windsor, Vt.
Sept. 13	Sherman Theodore Pike, Jr.	Charlemont, Mass.
	Ann Marie Parks	Shelburne Falls, Mass.
Oct. 16	Francis Stills	Osceola, Iowa
	Louise Bean	Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 8	Robert Reynolds	Charlemont, Mass.
	Corrinne Pierce	Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 23	Herbert D. Wessman	Springfield, Mass.
	Lenabel M. Henderson	Charlemont, Mass.
Dec. 12	David Tower Pierson	Charlemont, Mass.
	Eugenie Thompson Richter	Charlemont, Mass.

Comparison Table of Marriages

1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
11	11	9	10	14

DEATHS

1958	Name	Age Years	Months	Days
Mar. 12	Lillian Kolnacki (Bennett).....	43	5	8
Mar. 26	Michael H. Noga			1 - 15 hrs.
Apr. 3	Gertrude Lilly	91	6	1
June 30	James Rollins Willard.....	78	5	9
June 8	Willie Leslie Shumway	86	4	15
July 14	Martha I. Herzig	88	11	4
Aug. 11	Alonzo Shute	74	5	21
Sept. 15	Maud A. Burns Gilligan	76	9	27
Oct. 22	Mary Albina Burdett Grover	66	8	21
Nov. 14	Fred Orlando Bicknell.....	90	8	8
Dec. 15	Gottwald Herzig	87	8	20

Comparison Table of Deaths

1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
11	13	15	12	11

FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED
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11	Resident Citizens' Sporting & Trapping Licenses to persons seventy or more years old	Free
1	Resident Citizen O.A.A. and to the blind, Fishing License	Free
47	Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses @ $3.25	$152.75
95	Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses @ $3.25	308.75
72	Resident Citizens' Sporting Licenses @ $5.25	378.00
17	Resident Citizen Monors' Fishing Licenses @ $1.25	21.25
23	Resident Citizen Womens' Fishing Licenses @ $2.25	51.75
2	Resident Citizens' Trapping Licenses @ $7.75	15.50
18	Non-Resident Citizens' 3-Day Fishing Licenses @ $2.75	46.50
3	Non-Resident Minor Fishing Licenses @ $2.25	6.75
6	Non-Resident Citizens' or Alien Fishing Licenses @ $7.75	46.59
5	Non-Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses @ $15.25	76.25
1	Non-Resident Citizens' Sporting License @ $20.25	20.25
5	Duplicate Licenses @ .50	2.50

Paid Division of Fisheries and Game....	$1,057.50	
Fees retained.....	72.25	
		$1,129.75
		$1,129.75

DOG LICENSES ISSUED – 2 KENNEL LICENSES

60	Male Dog Licenses @ $2.00	$ 120.00
14	Female Dog Licenses @ $5.00	70.00
48	Spayed Female Dog Licenses @ $2.00	96.00
1	Kennel License @ $10.00	10.00
1	Kennel License @ $25.00	25.00

Paid Town Treasurer.....		
Paid Town Treasurer.....	$321.00	
Fees retained.....	31.00	
		$ 290.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER
Town Clerk

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

General Cash in Treasury, January 1, 1958	$52,397.76	
Frank Legate, Cemetery Fund Interest	6.00	
Stephen W. Hawkes, Cemetery Fund Interest	5.00	
Philemon Rice, Cemetery Fund Interest	5.13	
Potter Cemetery Fund Interest	25.15	
Jennie & Lewis Sears, Cemetery Fund Interest	12.57	
Sears, Mantor & Lyman, Cemetary Fund Interest	12.57	
Fred W. Hawkes, Library Fund Interest	27.68	
Wildcat Bounty	50.00	
Christmas Fund, Town of Rowe	1.50	
Christmas Fund, Town of Hawley	29.97	
Borrowed Note	26,650.81	
Kingsley Reunion, Use of Fairgrounds	20.00	
Carroll Lumber Company, Spring	100.00	
Check Adjustment	.04	
District Court Fines	40.00	
Welfare District Postage	30.48	
Advertising	18.41	
Sealer's Fees	33.45	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	91.70	
All Alcoholic Licenses	1,500.00	
All Alcoholic Seasonal Licenses	700.00	
Package Store Licenses	400.00	
Plantation Club Licenses	250.00	
All Other Licenses & Permits	188.00	
Withholding Tax	4,298.30	
County of Franklin, Retirement	916.73	
County Treasurer, Refunds & Dog Licenses	402.00	
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	556.83	
Town Hall Rent	600.00	
Fire Department Receipts	73.25	
Trailer Park Rental	196.00	
State Treasurer, Com. Vets Services	821.03	
State Treasurer, Meal Tax Distribution	956.46	
State Treasurer, Live Stock Disease Control	37.50	
State Treasurer, Income Tax	2,325.00	
State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	5,159.46	
		$98,938.78

HIGHWAYS

State Treasurer, Chapter 90M	$ 8,500.00	
County Treasurer, Chapter 90M	5,500.00	
State Treasurer, Chapter 90C	2,044.82	
County Treasurer, Chapter 90C	148.27	
State Treasurer, Chapter 81	13,165.45	
State Treasurer, Bond Issue	3,000.00	
Machinery Earnings	9,925.76	
		$42,284.30

SCHOOLS

State Treasurer, Transportation	$ 1,968.47	
State Treasurer, Vocational Education	53.88	
State Treasurer, School Supts	1,976.53	
State Treasurer, Division of Child Guardianship	908.65	
State Treasurer, School Aid, Chapter 70	13,207.38	
Town of Hawley, Tuition	2,835.00	
Town of Rowe, Tuition	1,260.00	
Town of Savoy, Tuition	350.00	
Town of Heath, Tuition	2,450.00	
Robert Pratt, Tuition	15.18	
Clayburn Rich, Tuition	51.37	
Stephen Leonard School Fund Interest	79.20	
High School Athletic Funds	1,293.32	
		$26,448.98

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State Treasurer, O.A.A., State	$14,468.24	
State Treasurer, O.A.A., Federal	12,838.91	
State Treasurer, A.D.C., State	1,648.19	
State Treasurer, A.D.C., Federal	3,501.90	
State Treasurer, D.A., State	438.82	
State Treasurer, D.A., Federal	494.06	
State Treasurer, Temporary Aid & Welfare, Trans	118.98	
Town of Greenfield, O.A.A.	87.46	
Town of Deerfield, O.A.A.	74.83	
Town of Rowe, O.A.A.	96.63	
Town of Buckland, O.A.A.	115.66	
O.A.A. Check Refunds	430.70	
		$34,314.38

TAXES

1955 Real Estate	$ 345.62	
1956 Poll	18.00	
1956 Personal	61.18	
1956 Real Estate	1,281.60	
1956 Motor Excise	569.67	
1957 Poll	28.00	
1957 Personal	44.80	
1957 Real Estate	4,866.46	
1957 Motor Excise	1,797.93	
1957 Farm Excise	42.76	
1958 Poll	368.00	
1958 Personal	9,280.78	
1958 Real Estate	73,567.49	
1958 Motor Excise	8,009.30	
1958 Farm Excise	271.45	
Interest	312.46	
Warrents	22.70	
Demands	26.20	$100,914.40
		$302,900.84

DISBURSEMENTS

Selectmen's Warrants	$217,728.39	
School Warrants	32,785.23	
Athletic Warrants	1,340.50	
General Cash in Treasury, December 31, 1958	51,046.72	
		$302,900.84

TOWN FUNDS HELD BY TREASURER

Fred W. Hawkes Library Fund	1,000.00
Maxwell Library Fund	1,000.00
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	2,857.32
Stephen Leonard School Fund	2,869.00
Potter Cemetery Fund	1,000.00
Jennie Z. & Lewis Sears Cemetery Fund	500.00
M. Mantor and J. Lyman Cemetery Fund	500.00
S. W. Hawkes Cemetery Fund	200.00
Frank M. Legate Cemetery Fund	200.00
Philomen Rice Cemetery Fund	185.74

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER
Treasurer,

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:		
Balance brought forward January 1, 1958	$ 527.03	
Town of Charlemont	2,346.00	
Town of Heath	920.00	
Town of Hawley	782.00	
Town of Rowe	552.00	
Vitamin Capsules	71.75	
Nursing Fees	126.75	
Dental Fund	27.85	
Withholding	544.80	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	12.75	
Total		$5,910.83
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Nurse's Salary	$3,720.00	
Nurse's Mileage	268.72	
Phone Service	47.00	
Supplies	36.51	
Clinics	98.00	
Vitamins	99.00	
New England Tel. & Tel.	123.56	
Office Rent	300.00	
Treasurer's Salary	110.00	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Withholding	544.80	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	12.75	
Total		$5,365.34
Balance carried forward to 1959		545.59

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER
Treasurer

TOWN EXPENDITURES

SNOW, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Town Appropriation	$ 7,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	800.00	
Superintendent		$1,064.25
Labor Payroll		3,331.95
Town Equipment		2,421.00
Hired Equipment		217.50
Salt		345.00
Sand		408.75
Plank		9.30
Credit Balance		2.25
	$ 7,800.00	$7,800.00

CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	$ 2,300.00	
State Contract	12,650.00	
Superintendent		$ 1,726.95
Labor Payroll		6,150.35
Town Equipment		3,989.07
Hired Equipment		498.50
Tar		2,204.46
Grit		208.37
Gravel		172.30
	$14,950.00	$14,950.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION - NORTH HEATH ROAD

Balance Carried forward from 1957	$ 752.96	
B & M Construction Company		$ 696.36
Credit Balance		56.60
	$ 752.96	$ 752.96

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION - SOUTH RIVER ROAD

Town Appropriation (from Chapter 718, Acts of 1956)	$ 3,000.00	
State Contract	$ 6,000.00	
County Contract	3,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 592.35
Labor Payroll		2,834.00
Town Equipment		2,235.77
Hired Equipment		3,329.50
Culverts & Couplings		1,652.19
Gravel		687.50
Calcium Chloride		225.00
Grit and Curing Cutback		438.57
Maps		5.12
	$12,000.00	$12,000.00

CHAPTER 90 - MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
State Contract	2,500.00	
County Contract	2,500.00	
Superintendent		$ 531.30
Labor Payroll		2,174.45
Town Equipment		841.92
Hired Equipment		115.00
Grit		478.58
Sand and Cement		71.53
Cinder Blocks and Brick		27.40
Tar		2,173.66
Catch Basin		92.07
Dynamite and Caps		16.01
Culverts		276.60
Guard Rail		701.48
	$ 7,500.00	$ 7,500.00

HIGHWAY VACATIONS

Town Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Superintendent		$ 79.20
Labor Payroll		309.60
Credit Balance		11.20
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

EAST HARMONY ROAD EXTENSION

Town Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 52.80
Labor Payroll		111.35
Town Equipment		110.50
Hired Equipment		161.50
Gravel		58.00
Tar		497.62
Credit Balance		
	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

MACHINERY

Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	$ 5,500.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 12.10
Christine Turner - rent		300.00
Gasoline		1,463.45
Oil		134.75
Diesel Fuel Oil		129.15
Miscellaneous Parts		871.86
Miscellaneous Repairs		1,885.58
Lubrication		93.14
Tires and Tubes		454.04
Anti-Freeze		43.20
Kerosene		16.56
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		90.76
Credit Balance		5.41
	$ 5,500.00	$ 5,500.00

MACHINERY - NEW EQUIPMENT

Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	$ 5,000.00	
Harold B. Allen (New Truck)		$ 4,970.00
Credit Balance		30.00
	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	$20,900.00	
Special Town Meeting	2,500.00	
Federal Grant Balance on 1/1/58		
Aid to Dependent Children	206.47	
Disability Assistance	115.48	
Old Age Assistance	652.44	
Federal Grants Received 1958		
Aid to Dependent Children	3,501.90	
Disability Assistance	494.06	
Old Age Assistance	12,838.91	
Cancelled Checks		
Town Account (4)	173.00	
Federal Grant (3)	93.50	
Aid Granted		
Town Account		
Aid to Dependent Children (3)		$ 2,977.57
Disability Assistance		697.09
Old Age Assistance		18,444.05
Old Age Assistance to other Towns (3)		707.67
Welfare		746.62

Federal Grant		
Aid to Dependent Children		3,602.87
Disability Assistance (1)		572.59
Old Age Assistance		12,990.50
Old Age Assistance to other Towns (1)		191.39
Federal Grant Balance forwarded to 1/1/59		
Aid to Dependent Children		105.50
Disability Assistance		36.95
Old Age Assistance		402.96
	$41,475.76	$41,475.76

VETERANS BENEFITS

Town Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	250.00	
Five Cases		$ 2,196.93
Credit Balance		53.07
	$ 2,250.00	$ 2,250.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	$ 672.00	
Western Franklin Welfare District		$ 672.00
	$ 672.00	$ 672.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center		$ 399.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,346.00	
Western Franklin Public Health District		$ 2,346.00
	$ 2,346.00	$ 2,346.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Town Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	15.42	
Dr. Merritt Low		$ 150.00
Vesta Coombs		52.28
Roslyn McIntosh		48.92
Mrs. Winifred Spear		14.22
	$ 265.42	$ 265.42

TOWN DUMP

Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Labor Payroll		$ 4.05
Town Equipment		9.00
Norman Hawkes		4.00
Albert Maynard		65.00
Credit Balance		67.95
	$ 150.00	$ 150.00

TOWN HALL

Town Appropriation	$ 1,700.00	
Salary of Janitor		$ 720.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		123.33
Charlemont Oil Co.		673.74
Repairs		123.70
Supplies		40.00
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
Credit Balance		9.30
	$ 1,700.00	$ 1,700.00

OFFICERS SALARIES

Town Appropriation	$ 4,900.00	
Salary of Selectmen		$ 900.00
Salary of Town Clerk		450.00
Salary of Town Treasurer		750.00
Salary of Tax Collector		600.00
Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures		75.00
Salary of Clerk Assessor		350.00
Salary of Two Assessors		500.00
Salary of Fire Chief		100.00
Salary of Historian		500.00
Moderator		10.00
Inspection of Animals		75.00
Inspection of Slaughtering		22.14
Dog Officer		15.00
Ballot Clerks and Tellers		104.00
Posting Town Meeting Warrants		8.00
Office Clerk - Beda A. Langevin		173.00
Credit Balance		267.86
	$ 4,900.00	$ 4,900.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,900.00	
Selectmen's Expense		$ 221.21
Town Clerk's Expense		79.28
Town Treasurer's Expense		77.46
Assessor's Expense		209.50
Tax Collector's Expense		119.85
Recorder-Gazette		18.71
New England Tel. & Tel.		140.81
Office Expense		167.64
Frank J. Wells - water rent		35.00
Avis Churchill - water rent		6.00
Printing Town Reports and Postage		521.65
Ballots		27.60
Sealer of Weights and Measures		15.84
Director of Accounts		2.00
Dinner for Queen Candidates (Yankee Doodle Days)		35.16
Constitution Day Expense		20.00
Franklin County Board of Health Dues		6.00
Dog Officer Expense		2.00
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett & Trudel		153.42
Balch Bros.		8.04
Credit Balance		32.83
	$ 1,900.00	$ 1,900.00

INTEREST

Town Appropriation	$ 810.00	
Shelburne Falls National Bank		$ 773.15
Credit Balance		36.85
	$ 810.00	$ 810.00

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 1,059.21	
Franklin County Retirement System		$ 1,059.21
	$ 1,059.21	$ 1,059.21

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	6.20	
Police Chief - Cyrus C. Annear		$ 254.18
Special Police Payroll		13.75
Supplies		18.27
Commissioner of Public Safety		20.00
	$ 306.20	$ 306.20

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 2,995.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 23.87
Charlemont Oil Company		283.85
Labor Payroll		442.00
Equipment		247.72
Repairs		137.99
Lubrication		18.70
New England Tel & Tel Co.		198.97
Mrs. Earle K. Howes		365.00
Tri-State Mutual Aid dues		5.00
Henry A. Hicks Insurance Agency		178.50
Replacement of Boiler		760.11
Short Wave Radio		330.00
Credit Balance		3.29
	$ 2,995.00	$ 2,995.00

STREET LIGHTS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,170.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 1,170.00
	$ 1,170.00	$ 1,170.00

BONDING TOWN OFFICERS

Town Appropriation	$ 175.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	26.00	
Henry Hicks Insurance Agency		$ 201.00
	$ 201.00	$ 201.00

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 1,100.00	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 995.15
Credit Balance		104.85
	$ 1,100.00	$ 1,100.00

TOWN PROPERTY INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 522.51	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 522.51
	$ 522.51	$ 522.51

LIABILITY INSURANCE ON TOWN VEHICLES

Town Appropriation	$ 350.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	6.85	
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		$ 356.85
	$ 356.85	$ 356.85

TYLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Interest from Maxwell Library Fund	25.15	
Interest from Fred W. Hawkes Fund	27.68	
Interest from Tyler Memorial Trust Fund	275.82	
Mrs. Earl Pingry	2.63	
From Tyler Memorial Reserve Fund	161.45	
Librarian's Salary		$ 350.00
Repairs		19.92
Campbell and Hall, Inc.		309.91
Americana Corporation		205.00
Moore-Cottrell Subscription Agencies		51.40
Gaylord Bros., Inc.		11.90
Magazines		10.10
Blanche L. Hunt - books		34.50
	$ 992.73	$ 992.73

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Town Appropriation (Capital Outlay)	$13,541.42	
Town Appropriation	41,462.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	.43	
Hawlemont Regional School District		$55,003.85
	$55,003.85	$55,003.85

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Town Appropriation	$ 1,334.25	
Mohawk Trail Regional School District		$ 1,334.25
	$ 1,334.25	$ 1,334.25

MEMORIAL DAY

Town Appropriation	$ 125.00	
Sawyer News Company		$ 39.50
S.J. Ruggeri		25.00
Wreaths		35.00
Credit Balance		25.50
	$ 125.00	$ 125.00

CHRISTMAS FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	1.58	
Gifts - Carriddi Sales Co. & Woolworth's		$ 100.00
A.L. Avery & Son		1.58
	$ 101.58	$ 101.58

GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE SUPPRESSION

Town Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Roy A. Hicks		$ 393.30
Credit Balance		6.70
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

OLD CEMETERIES

Town Appropriation	$ 35.00	
Charles Purinton		$ 35.00
	$ 35.00	$ 35.00

LEGION ROOMS

Town Appropriation	$ 240.00	
I.O.O.F. Union Lodge - rent		$ 240.00
	$ 240.00	$ 240.00

EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 75.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	21.80	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 12.00
Repairs		84.80
	$ 96.80	$ 96.80

FAIRGROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Supplies		$ 10.66
Labor		12.00
Credit Balance		27.34
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00

WITHHOLDING TAX

Collector of Internal Revenue		$ 4,307.30

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND		
Franklin County Retirement System		$ 916.73
BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD		
Blue Cross and Blue Shield	$ 91.70	$ 91.70
POLL TAX REFUNDS		
1 Refund for 1958 Tax	$ 2.00	$ 2.00
DOG OFFICER EXPENSE		
Dog Officer's Expense		$ 110.00
MOTOR EXCISE REFUNDS		
8 Refunds for 1957 Tax	$ 95.56	$ 95.56
14 Refunds for 1958 Tax	192.39	192.39
	$ 287.95	$ 287.95
CEMETERY FUNDS		
Treasurer, Leavitt Cemetery		$ 11.00
Treasurer, Village Cemetery		$ 50.29
WILDCAT BOUNTY		
6 Bounties		$ 60.00
RAPAYMENT OF LOAN		
Shelburne Falls National Bank	$27,650.00	$27,650.00
COLLECTORS' DEMANDS		
Tax Collector's Demands	$ 48.90	$ 48.90
STATE AND CITY TAXES		
State Treasurer, Auditing Town Accounts		$ 888.62
State Treasurer, Parks and Reservations		472.33
County Treasurer, Dog Licenses		290.00
County Treasurer, County Tax		5,975.02
		$ 7,625.97
CIVILIAN DEFENSE		
Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Credit Balance		$ 50.00
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00
SWIMMING CLASSES		
Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Credit Balance		$ 150.00
	$ 150.00	$ 150.00
RESERVE FUND		
Town Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	
Bonding Town Officers		$ 26.00
Snow, Roads and Bridges		800.00
Town Vehicle Insurance		6.85
Board of Health		15.42
East Charlemont School		21.80
Veterans Benefits		250.00
Hawlemont Regional School District		.43
Police Department		6.20
Christmas Fund		1.58
Credit Balance		871.72
	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL

Disbursement of 1958 Funds & Budget for 1959

	1958 Appropriation	1958 Expenditures	1959 Appropriation
GENERAL CONTROL			
School Committee Expense	$ 180.00	$ 197.89	$ 200.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,300.00	1,255.80	1,320.00
Superintendent's Other Expense	615.00	803.34	1,002.00
	$ 2,095.00	$ 2,257.03	$ 2,522.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Principal	4,500.00	4,538.49	4,910.00
Teachers	12,670.00	12,225.19	15,042.00
Supervisors	995.00	941.47	1,156.00
Substitutes	150.00	277.00	200.00
Staff Expenses	235.00	86.27	235.00
Books	460.00	553.81	700.00
Supplies	660.00	686.95	660.00
	19,670.00	19,309.18	22,903.00
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	3,350.00	3,269.98	3,550.00
Fuel	800.00	262.00	800.00
Miscellaneous	510.00	604.00	585.00
	4,660.00	4,135.98	4,935.00
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs and Replacements	800.00	1,150.32	1,500.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	75.00	31.07	40.00
Transportation	2,300.00	2,321.48	3,360.00
Vocational	1,000.00	632.64	1,270.00
Physical Education	1,175.00	1,161.62	1,175.00
Driver Education	*	**	175.00
Miscellaneous	70.00	209.84	150.00
	4,620.00	4,356.65	6,450.00
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	1,325.00	1,276.82	1,645.00
Yards & Grounds	300.00	299.25	200.00
	1,625.00	1,576.07	1,845.00
OTHER PAYMENTS:			
Miscellaneous	100.00	--	--
	100.00		
TOTALS	$33,570.00	$32,785.23	$40,155.00

*Driver Education appropriated under "Teachers" for 1958.
**Driver Education expenditures were posted under appropriate accounts for 1958.

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Disbursement of 1958 Funds & Budget for 1959

	1958 Appropriation	1958 Expenditures	1959 Appropriation
GENERAL CONTROL:			
School Committee Expense	$ 601.00	$ 670.13	$ 490.00
Superintendent's Salary	3,200.00	3,196.70	3,360.00
Superintendent's Other Expense	930.00	1,040.59	1,349.00
	4,731.00	4,907.42	5,199.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Principal	1,400.00	1,401.85	1,610.00
Teachers	31,880.00	31,606.16	36,900.00
Supervisors	2,380.00	2,258.57	3,005.00
Substitutes	350.00	212.50	350.00
Staff Expenses	200.00	85.22	200.00
Books	1,050.00	1,008.91	1,080.00
Supplies	780.00	865.85	980.00
	38,040.00	37,439.06	44,125.00
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	3,450.00	3,400.02	3,750.00
Fuel	2,800.00	2,744.40	2,800.00
Miscellaneous	1,800.00	1,798.00	1,700.00
	8,050.00	7,942.42	8,250.00
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs and Replacements	1,430.00	841.19	1,026.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	225.00	230.92	225.00
Transportation	16,750.00	16,176.30	16,950.00
Tuition	500.00	420.00	500.00
Physical Education	460.00	467.73	460.00
Miscellaneous	1,249.00	929.29	1,115.00
	19,184.00	18,224.24	19,250.00
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	770.00	878.09	1,490.00
Yards & Grounds	300.00	291.25	200.00
	1,070.00	1,169.34	1,690.00
TOTALS	*$72,505.00	$70,523.67	$79,540.00

*This figure includes a transfer of $1,400 from the available funds of the Hawlemont Regional School District made on June 30, 1958.

CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 1958

Town Expenditure, High School	$32,785.23	
Town Appropriation, Regional Operation	41,462.43	
Town Appropriation, Regional Capital	13,541.42	$87,789.08
GROSS COST TO TOWN FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS		$87,789.08
Reimbursements:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Chapter 70, General School Fund	$13,207.38	
Supt's. Salary & Travel	1,976.53	
Transportation	1,968.47	
Division of Child Guardianship	908.65	
Vocational Transportation & Tuition	53.88	
Tuition		
Tuition:		
Town of Rowe	$ 1,260.00	
Town of Savoy	350.00	
Town of Heath	2,450.00	
Town of Hawley	2,835.00	
Jeanette & Clayburn C. Rich	51.37	
Robert J. Pratt	15.18	
Stephen Leonard School Fund, Interest	55.15	
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN LOCAL TAX		$25,131.61
NET COST TO TOWN FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS		$62,657.47

Recapitulation

HIGHWAYS

Snow, Roads & Bridges	$ 7,797.75	
Chapter 81	14,950.00	
Chapter 90 Construction - North Heath Road	696.36	
Chapter 90 Construction - South River Road	12,000.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	7,500.00	
Highway Department Vacations	388.80	
East Harmony Road Extension	991.77	
Machinery - New Equipment	4,970.00	
Machinery -	5,494.59	
		$ 54,789.27

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Welfare	$ 746.62	
Veterans Benefits	2,196.93	
Disability Assistance	1,269.68	
Old Age Assistance	32,333.61	
Aid to Dependent Children	6,580.44	
Western Franklin Welfare District Adm.	672.00	
Western Franklin Veterans Center	399.00	
		44,198.28

HEALTH

Western Franklin Public Health Nursing Service	$ 2,346.00	
Board of Health	265.42	
Town Dump	82.05	
		2,693.47

ADMINISTRATION

Town Hall	$ 1,690.77	
Officers Salaries	4,632.14	
Miscellaneous	1,867.17	
Interest	773.15	
Employees Retirement Fund	1,059.21	
Auditing Accounts	888.62	
		10,911.06

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	$ 306.20	
Fire Department	2,991.71	
Street Lights	1,170.00	
		4,467.91

TAXES

State Parks and Reservations	$ 472.33	
County Dog Tax	290.00	
County Tax	5,975.02	
		6,737.35

INSURANCE

Bonding Town Officers	$ 201.00	
Workmen's Compensation	995.15	
Town Property Fire Insurance	522.51	
Liability Insurance on Town Vehicles	356.85	
		2,075.51

TYLER LIBRARY

Tyler Memorial Library	$ 992.73	
		992.73

SCHOOLS		
Hawlemont Regional School District	$ 55,003.85	
Mohawk Trail Regional School District	1,334.25	
		$ 56,338.10
ALL OTHER EXPENSES		
Memorial Day	$ 99.50	
Christmas Fund	101.58	
Gypsy Moth & Dutch Elm Disease Suppression	393.30	
Old Cemeteries	35.00	
Legion	240.00	
East Charlemont School	96.80	
Fairgrounds Maintenance	22.66	
		$ 988.84
SPECIAL		
Withholding Tax (deductions)	$ 4,307.30	
Franklin County Retirement (deductions)	916.73	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield (deductions)	91.70	
Tax Refunds	289.95	
Treasurers, Village and Leavitt Cemeteries	61.29	
Dog Officer Expense	110.00	
Wildcat Bounties	60.00	
Repayment of Loan	27,650.00	
Tax Collectors Demands	48.90	
		$ 33,535.87
	TOTAL	$217,728.39

MACHINERY EARNINGS – TOWN OF CHARLEMONT

Snow, Roads and Bridges	$ 2,421.00
Chapter 81	3,989.07
Chapter 90 Maintenance	841.92
Chapter 90 Construction	2,235.77
East Harmony Extension	110.50
Town Dump	9.00
	$ 9,607.26

MACHINERY EARNINGS – OUT OF TOWN

Town of Hawley	$ 193.00
Town of Rowe	125.50
	$ 318.50

ALLOCATION OF CHAPTER 81 HIGHWAY FUNDS

Road & No.	Scraping	Gravelling	Drainage	Brush	Patching (Bitum.)	Surface Treatment	Widen	Snow	TOTALS
1. Zoar Road	.....	.....	$ 50.40	$ 50.65	$ 50.00	.....	.....	.....	$ 151.05
2. Rowe Road	.....	.....	.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00
3. North Heath	.....	.....	177.00	61.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	238.00
4. Vincent	$ 52.00	.....	15.05	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.05
5. Warner Hill #1	167.60	$ 129.00	149.95	.....	.....	.....	$ 40.00	.....	486.55
6. Warner Hill #2	43.00	145.50	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	238.50
9. Burrington	331.20	.....	27.70	6.00	.....	602.31	.....	.....	967.21
10. Center Heath	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. Mountain	378.00	48.70	209.00	17.00	573.87	.....	.....	.....	1226.57
12. Mountain Br.	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
13. South Heath	40.60	109.50	10.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160.80
14. Birch Lane	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
16. Maxwell	269.50	587.00	81.80	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	955.70
17. Woods	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
18. Hicks	94.40	10.00	1.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.65
19. Legate Hill	195.05	436.00	360.70	17.00	100.00	1219.28	.....	.....	2328.03
20. Phipps	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
21. Laurel Lane	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00
22. Potters	35.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00
23. Tower	200.80	683.00	71.60	14.00	.....	447.37	.....	.....	40.00
24. Ledge Lane	20.00	.....	24.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44.80
25. Todd Mt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26. Cold River	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
28. West Hawley	.....	.....	19.00	22.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.00
29. Chickley	20100	.....	64.70	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	99.70
30. So. Chickley	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
31. South River	257.80	36.00	70.00	22.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	385.80
32. Dodge Corner	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
33. East Hawley	.....	.....	26.00	26.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	52.00
34. Warfield	.....	.....	10.00	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	60.00
35. Colonial Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00
36. Riddell	75.00	.....	65.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	165.00
37. High Street	.....	.....	78.13	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	128.13
38. Heath	.....	.....	17.70	28.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.70
39. Burnt Hill	130.00	10.00	32.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	172.70
40. West Oxbow	305.75	412.20	49.00	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	783.95
41. East Oxbow	170.50	.....	17.50	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	205.00
42 River View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43. North River	.....	.....	.....	35.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.40

44.	Colrain	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00
45.	Johnson	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00
46.	South Street	.....	.....	28.13	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	53.13
47.	East Harmony	.....	.....	54.00	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	69.00
48.	North Street	.....	.....	10.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	20.00
49.	Academy Lane	.....	.....	38.13	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	63.13
50.	Elm	.....	.....	28.13	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	38.13
51.	Mill Hollow	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
52.	Harmony Ave.	.....	.....	10.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	20.00
53.	Rice Fort	.....	.....	10.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	35.00
54.	Park St.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
55.	Factory	.....	.....	2.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.40
56.	School	.....	.....	50.00	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00
57.	Hawks	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
58.	Rowe Branch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
59.	Maple Terrace	.....	.....	28.13	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	43.13
60.	Windy Hill	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
61.	Hillandale	.....	.....	29.15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.15
	Snow & Ice	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3564.87	3564.87
		$2986.20	$2607.30	$1987.75	$ 411.05	$ 510.00	$2842.83	$ 40.00	$3564.87	$14950.00

EXCERPTS FROM THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
February 3, 1958

Article 2. Voted to raise the following appropriations:

$ 7,000.00	Snow, Roads and Bridges
2,000.00	Soldiers' Benefits
20,900.00	Public Assistance (Welfare, O.A.A., A.D.C., & D.A.
1,900.00	Miscellaneous
1,700.00	Town Hall
2,995.00	Fire Department
1,170.00	Street Lights
240.00	Legion Rooms
739.00	Franklin County Retirement
500.00	Library
522.51	Town Property Insurance
350.00	Town Vehicle Insurance
1,100.00	Workmen's Compensation Insurance
175.00	Bonding Town Officers
400.00	Gypsy Moth and Dutch Elm Suppression
250.00	Board of Health
150.00	Town Dump
125.00	Memorial Day
100.00	Christmas Fund
810.00	Interest
35.00	Old Cemeteries
50.00	Fairgrounds
75.00	East Charlemont School
300.00	Police Department
2,000.00	Reserve Fund
	($1,000.00 to be raised in Tax Levy.
	($1,000.00 transferred from overlay surplus
50.00	Civilian Defense
400.00	Highway Department Vacations
399.00	Western Franklin Veterans' District
1,334.25	Mohawk Trail Regional School District
672.00	Western Franklin Welfare District
2,346.00	Western Franklin Public Health District
41,462.00	Hawlemont Regional School Operations

13,541.42	Hawlemont Regional School Capital, with $5,000.00 from available funds and balance of $8,541.42 from taxation.
33,570.00	High School ($33,282.59 raised in tax levy, $205.48 from County Dog Fund, $81.93 from Leonard School Fund.)

Article 3. Voted to raise $2,300.00 for Chapter 81 highway maintenance, to be spent in conjunction with State Funds of $12,650.00.

Article 4. Voted to raise $3,000.00 to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction on South River Road, and to meet this appropriation $3,000.00 will be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956.

Article 5. Voted to raise $2,500.00 for Chapter 90 highway maintenance, to be spent in conjunction with State and County funds, amounting to $5,000.00.

Article 6. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $5,500.00 to the 1958 Machinery Maintenance account, to include the purchase of new equipment.

Article 7. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $4,500 for the purchase of a new truck.

Article 8. Voted to raise $4,900.00 for the payment of the following annual salaries, together with such clerical help as the Selectmen may authorize.

Selectmen	$300.00 each
Clerk	450.00
Treasurer	750.00
Tax Collector	600.00
Two Assessors	250.00 each
Clerk Assessor	350.00
Sealer	75.00
Inspector of Animals	75.00
Fire Chief	100.00
Dog Officer	15.00
Moderator	10.00
Historian	600.00

Article 9. Voted to raise $150.00 for swimming classes as sponsored by the American Red Cross and the Charlemont Fire Department.

Article 10. Voted to lay out a public way and construct a highway from East Harmony Road to the Carroll Lumber Company mill, a distance of approximately 850 feet, and raise $1,000.00 for constructing said highway.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
November 25, 1958

Article 1. Voted to raise $2,500.00 for Public Assistance from available funds.

Article 2. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery earnings $500.00 to the 1958 account for the purchase of a new truck.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Moderator to appoint a member of the Charlemont School Committee to the Regional School District Planning Board, which was authorized by Chapter 518 of the Acts of 1958.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

February 2, 1959

The polls will be open from 11:30 A.M. to 7:30 P.M. for the election of the following town officers: Clerk, Treasurer, Selectman, Assessor, School Committeeman, Tax Collector, Moderator, Library Trustee, Auditor, Tree Warden, Park Commissioner, Three Constables and member Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee. The positions of Tree Warden, Mohawk Trail School Committee Member and one of the three Constables will be filled by write-in, as no one filed nomination papers for these positions.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the meeting will be convened for action on the articles of the warrant. The tentative budget approved by the Finance Committee is as follows:

Snow, Roads & Bridges	$ 7,000.00
Chapter 81	2,350.00
Chapter 90 Construction	3,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	5,500.00
Highway Vacations	400.00
Machinery	5,500.00
Public Assistance	25,000.00
Welfare District Administration	420.00
Veterans Benefits	5,000.00
Veterans District Administration	409.50
Board of Health	300.00
Health District	1,840.00
Dump	150.00
Bonding Officers	250.00
Insurance	2,100.00
Retirement System	929.96
Hawlemont School	55,635.12
High School	40,155.00
Mohawk Regional	941.60
East Charlemont	50.00
Police Department	300.00
Fire Department	2,300.00
Street Lights	1,170.00

Town Hall	1,700.00
Miscellaneous	1,900.00
Interest	300.00
Officers Salaries	4,200.00
Fairgrounds	100.00
Gypsy Moth	300.00
Civilian Defense	25.00
Christmas	100.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Old Cemeteries	35.00
Legion Rooms	240.00
Library	500.00
Reserve Fund	2,000.00

There will also be articles concerning the following subjects:

Withdrawal from the Mohawk Trail Regional School District.
Preparation of a town history ($500 proposed)
Purchase of a new sander ($2500 from Machinery Fund)
Installation of running water on Fairgrounds

Appointment of committee to survey town employees salaries.
Selectmen's request for instructions on highway sign policy.

Inasmuch as there may be some changes in this warrant before town meeting day, it is furnished herewith in outline form. There will be mimeographed copies of the actual warrant available at the meeting.

To Henry Avery Sr.

Bassett Offset Printing Co.
Greenfield, Mass.

TOWN OF

CHARLEMONT

MASSACHUSETTS

1959

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the TOWN OFFICERS

1959

Town of Charlemont, Massachusetts

THE COVER

The Old Covered Bridge, which spanned the Deerfield River for over 100 years until it was replaced by the modern structure in 1943.

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TOWN CALENDAR

1960

Jan. 12	Last Registration of Voters before Town Meeting
Feb. 1	Town Meeting
Mar. 30	Last day for filing Seasonal Liquor Licenses
Mar. 31	Dog Licenses—Expiration date
Apr. 17	Easter
May 30	Memorial Day
June 17	Elementary School closes
June 24	High School closes
July 4	Independence Day
Sept. 5	Labor Day
Sept. 7	School opens
Oct. 31	Last day for payment of Town Taxes without penalty
Nov. 24	Thanksgiving
Nov. 30	Last day for filing Liquor License renewals
Dec. 25	Christmas Day

1961

Jan. 2	Last day for filing Nomination Papers for Election of Town Officers
Jan. 17	Last day for registration before Town Meeting
Feb. 6	Town Meeting

U. S. SENATORS

John F. Kennedy, Boston

Leverett Saltonstall, Dover

U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1

Sylvio O. Conte, Pittsfield

STATE SENATOR

Ralph C. Mahar, Orange

REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT

FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT 1

Philip F. Whitmore, Sunderland

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Harry F. Koch, Shelburne

Frank H. Reed, Greenfield

Delbert A. Witty, Orange

TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Horace E. Warfield, *Chairman*
Term Expires 1959

Sherman T. Pike, *Clerk*
Term Expires 1961

William D. Pierson
Term expires 1960

TOWN CLERK

Mary L. Carpenter

TOWN TREASURER

Beda A. Langevin

TAX COLLECTOR

Raymond C. Willis

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Sherman T. Pike, *resigned*
Winston Healy
Term expires 1959

Norman F. Hawkes
Term expires 1960

Donald Raymond
Term expires 1961

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

William P. Stafford, *Chairman*
Term expires 1959

Emma B. Vincent
Term expires 1960

Gerald Raymond
Term expires 1961

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Helen Stiles, *Chairman*

Ann E. Doyle, *Treasurer*

Gertrude Ogden, *Secretary*

Gerald Raymond
William P. Stafford

Emma B. Vincent
Clayburn Rich

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Charles E. Streeter

William P. Stafford

Harry L. Purinton, *Advisor*

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Wilson L. Tilley

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

Charles Purinton

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

William C. Turner

TRUSTEES FOR THE EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Lawrence A. Clark, *Chairman*
Term expires 1963

Mabel V. Sears, *Secretary*
Term expires 1960

Stanton C. Kendrick
Term expires 1959

Emma Fisk
Term expires 1961

Herbert Smith
Term expires 1962

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Horace E. Warfield, *Chairman*
Sherman T. Pike

William D. Pierson
Phyllis L. Heist, *Agent*

BOARD OF HEALTH

William D. Pierson, Chairman

Horace E. Warfield

Sherman T. Pike

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Blanche L. Hunt
Term expires 1959

Stanton Kendrick
Term expires 1960

Elsie C. Bissland
Term expires 1961

Pearle Tanner, Librarian

PARK COMMISSION

Charles L. Purinton, *Chairman*
Term expires 1959

Harry F. Degate
Term expires 1960

Avis M. Churchill
Term expires 1961

FINANCE COMMITTEE

D. A. Lanoue, *Chairman*
Term expires 1960

Leslie Vincent
Term expires 1961

Ann E. Doyle
Term expires 1959

AUDITOR

Raymond Purinton

TREE WARDEN

Roy Breen

CONSTABLES

Paul Cetto

Roger E. McKinstry

Charles Purinton

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Frank J. Wells

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Stanton C. Kendrick

CLERK OF TOWN OFFICES

Beda A. Langevin

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Dorothy Morehouse, R. N.

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Philip DiBenedetto

SUPERINTENDENT, GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

Roy A. Hicks

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Roger E. McKinstry

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

D. A. Lanoue

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
Roy A. Hicks

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING
Roy A. Hicks
Wilbur L. Burnett

FENCE VIEWERS
Marshall F. Johnson
Theron S. Taylor, Sr.

FIELD DRIVERS AND POUND KEEPERS
Marshall F. Johnson
Theron S. Taylor, Sr.

WEIGHERS
Harry F. Hawkes
Theron S. Taylor, Jr.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
William C. Turner
Herman F. Harris

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
William C. Turner
Herman F. Harris
Olin Whipple
Aubrey L. Rice
Charles W. Goodwin

CHIEF OF POLICE
Cyrus C. Annear, Sr.

VETERANS' AGENT
Robert E. Scott

BURIAL AGENTS
Lawrence S. Tinney
Robert E. Scott

CUSTODIAN TOWN HALL
Lawrence S. Tinney

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS
Paul E. Heist

SPECIAL POLICE
Lincoln Shaw
Paul Heist
Lawrence Tinney
Edward Stafford
Charles Gilbert
Cyrus C. Annear, Jr.
Harold Shumway
Robert H. Jackman
Walter Hunt
Norman Hawkes
Wilson Tilley
Robert Rice

JURY LIST

Ann E. Doyle, *office clerk*

Mabel V. Sears, *retired school teacher*

Glenn E. Adams, *poultryman*

Leon H. Turner, *garage and gun shop owner*

Robert J. King, *owner, awning and upholstering business*

Sherman T. Pike, *Chief engineer, Kendall Mills, Griswoldville*

S. Stuart Goddard, *post office clerk*

Maxmilian P. Falandes, *State Department of Public Works, Greenfield*

Winston Healy, *farmer*

Lawrence Tinney, *Town Hall custodian*

Norman Hawkes, *Department of Public Works*

Beda A. Langevin, *insurance agent*

Marshall Johnson, *farmer*

Selectmen's Report

The Regional High School project became dormant in 1959 due to the withdrawal of Buckland and Shelburne from the District. It is regrettable that the remaining towns have neither the population nor the funds to build a new high school. It is apparent that we must wait until the tax impact of the new Buckland-Shelburne Elementary School has subsided and hope that other obstacles may be overcome so that the six towns may again work toward a high school of proper size and modern facilities.

We purchased a new Highway Spreader from the Perkins Machinery Company in February at a cost of $2400.00 in accordance with the vote of the Town Meeting. The spreader has been very helpful in this past year of icy roads.

The Stone and Webster Company is again providing salt for use on the Zoar Road in 1960 as they did in 1959 and we are hoping to receive aid from the State again this year in paying for the special service the traffic on the Zoar Road now demands. In 1959 we received a special grant of $2500.00 from the State for this purpose.

Our 1959 Chapter 90 construction contract of $12,000.00 was used on the South River Road.

In response to many requests from the persons who use the road and on the advice of the Deparment of Public Works, a 1200 foot section of the West OxBow Road was relocated so as to make a better and safer approach to Route 2. The work was done with Chapter 81 funds.

A blind and dangerous curve was improved on Warfield Road, also with Chapter 81 funds.

Other Chapter 81 funds were used to widen, straighten and surface a section of the Legate Hill Road.

Following a report from the Wage Survey Committee, the wages of the Highway Department were brought in line with the wages paid in nearby towns by an increase of 15 cents per hour, effective April 20, 1959.

A request by the Highway Department for seven paid holidays per year was recently received and will be included in the Warrant for your consideration.

The Board of Health experienced some difficulties with trailer camps in town in 1959 but at the present time everything seems to be in order.

Three dwellings were posted as unfit for habitation early in the year.

Tax collections have been very good in 1959 and our new collector deserves commendation for his extra efforts which made the collections possible.

The Tyler house has not as yet been sold.

Maps of our town have been ordered from the Department of Commerce for use by the Assessors and Selectmen.

We are proud to say that Charlemont Town Report for 1958 has received awards from the County and State Selectmen's Association for its excellence in appearance and content. Much credit for the same is due Winston Healy.

A loan was arranged with the Shelburne Falls National Bank, at a minimum of interest, in June, to provide funds in anticipation of reimbursement by the State, for current business of the town.

The Board approved the erection of two signs for the Tower Ranch and one sign for the Yankee Atomic plant on Route 2 in 1959. All three signs also must be approved by the State Outdoor Advertising Authority and in accordance with rules of the Authority.

At the fairgrounds Mr. Shukis was given permission to remove the earth backstop formerly used as a rifle range. It was our understanding that marksmen from out of town were endangering workmen in the gravel pit with their rifle fire.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all who helped to make our annual Christmas Party again such a success, under the chairmanship of Horace E. Warfield.

The owner of the Bridge Lunch has called out attention to the dangerous intersection at Routes 8A and 2 near the long bridge. We have written to the State Department of Public Works about the hazard and reported the two accidents there in 1959.

There were two special town meetings in 1959 and reports of the action taken will be found later in this book.

The "Free Cash in the Treasury" as of Jan. 1, 1959 was $14, 186.58. The auditors are not yet here and we do not know the "Free Cash" figure for January 1, 1960.

There were eight transfers from the Reserve Fund, totaling $1,817.97, with the approval of the Finance Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE E. WARFIELD

WILLIAM D. PIERSON

SHERMAN T. PIKE

Board of Selectmen

Annual Report of the School Committee

PERSONNEL

Gerald T. Raymond, *Chairman*	Term expires 1962
Emma B. Vincent, *Secretary*	Term Expires 1961
W. Payson Stafford	Term Expires 1960
Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term Opens January 4, 1960	Closes February 19, 1960
Second Winter Term Opens February 29, 1960	Closes April 14, 1960
Spring Term Opens April 25, 1960	(Elem) Closes June 17, 1960 (High) Closes June 24, 1960
Fall Term	Opens September 7, 1960

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday	April 15, 1960
Columbus Day	October 12, 1960
Teachers' Convention (Tentative)	October 19, 1960
Teachers' Visiting Day (Tentative)	October 26, 1960
Veterans' Day	November 11, 1960
Thanksgiving Day	Closes noon November 23, 1960
Christmas Holidays	Closes December 23, 1960

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my fourth annual report.

My three previous reports should serve to explain much of my educational philosophy and policy. They also point to general problems and recommended solutions. Much of what was presented bears repeating, but I would prefer to confine any remarks to current developments and suggest reviewing earlier reports to those who are interested.

The high school staff has been working the past few weeks in preparation for an evaluation of the high school this spring. I refer you to the principal's report for futher details. This should be of interest to the parents of regional pupils as well as those in high school because grades seven and eight are included in this study. Also, some of the standards reflected in such a study could possibly be applied to the grades in the regional elementary school since they are all under one administration. A similar study of the elementary program in the future might prove to be informative as well as interesting.

Earlier this year the entering school age was raised to six years on or before September 1 of the year of entrance. The primary purpose of this is to bring the maturity of Grade 1 nearer to the point at which the average child can experience success in reading. It has been found that a majority of those children who experience difficulty in school have entered at an early age.

With the approval of the Hawlemont Regional School Committee, the town of Heath voted on a proposal to join the elementary school district at the annual town meeting last February. The article was defeated and no further action is contemplated at this time.

In April, Mrs. Ann E. Doyle was appointed to succeed Deane Carter as District Treasurer. Mr. Carter's many years of faithful service were greatly appreciated.

Due to increased costs of operation and decreases in commodities from the State Department, it was necessary to increase the price of the school lunch to 25c. Mrs. Maynard and Mrs. Stafford are to be commended for the fine meals served at a nominal fee.

All school committees voted to participate in the National Defense Education Act (PL 85-864). This law allocated federal funds to school committees on a matching basis to improve their program of instruction. Since there are no schools in Hawley, the school committee has allocated their funds to Hawlemont Regional School.

Major repairs to the Hawlemont school have been limited to those made by the bonding company to the roof skylights and replacement of the lobby doors which had deteriorated due to being exposed to the weather. Other repairs have been of a minor nature.

Similar minor repairs have been made in the high school building. New light fixtures were installed in the main room and have improved the room considerably. As I have said before, the decision on extensive major repairs has been postponed, but this decision becomes more difficult each year as annual wear and tear takes its toll.

Three new members of the high school faculty began their service with us when school opened in September. Mr. Arthur Perrone was added to the staff and is teaching social studies. Miss Camille Sergi was added to the staff and is teaching social studies, Miss Camille Sergi replaces Mrs. Lucille Dolgin in the commercial subjects, and Mrs. Dorothy Adams is replacing Mrs. Kathleen Upton in the language department.

During my years of service in Charlemont, I have appreciated the support and cooperation which most citizens have shown especially in view of the increase in school costs. For those who might question these increases, I would like to say that I honestly feel the community is receiving more for their school tax dollar than ever before. I know that a flat statement such as this should be substantiated and would be glad to attempt to do so at public meetings for this purpose. In the absence of a P.T.A. perhaps a similar group could meet informally if enough interest is registered!

In conclusion, I would like to thank the citizens, staff and school committee members who have helped to make this past year a successful and enjoyable one for me. I would also like to take this opportunity to invite parents or citizens to call on me if I can be of any service to them.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON L. TILLEY

Superintendent of Schools

Report of the Principal

I hereby submit my fourth annual report as Principal of Charlemont High and Hawlemont Regional Schools.

The school committee, administrators, and staff of Charlemont High School are working on an Evaluation of Charlemont High School. The Evaluation consists of two parts: (1) A Self-Evaluation of the school by the school committee, administrators, and staff; and (2) an Evaluation of the school by a visiting committee from the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. (N.E.A.C. & S. S.)

The Evaluation is an examination of close scrutiny of all the aspects of the educational program at the secondary school level in Charlemont. The Evaluation seeks to answer questions such as — Does the school meet the educational needs of the youth of Charlemont? Is the educational program adequate? How comprehensive is the Mathematics Program? Are the instructional materials adequate? How well is each subject area being taught? Are there enough subjects being taught? Is the building being used to its greatest advantage? Does the staff and administration offer educational leaderships? How are the school finances organized and managed? What guidance services are offered to the students? Does the school have a large enough library? Are the reference materials complete and up-to-date? Do the pupils participate in school government? What extra-curricular activities are available to the students? How many students participate in school activities? Are the staff members well prepared to teach in the areas in which they are teaching? These questions and many others must be answered during the Evaluation.

The staff goes through the entire educational program first and then the visiting committee of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools goes over the educational program and either agrees or disagrees with the local staff. Both the local staff and the visiting committee will make commendations and recommendations concerning Charlemont High Schools Educational Program.

A philosophy which reflects the purposes and responsibilities of Charlemont High School has been composed by the staff of the school.

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

I. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

We believe that the school should fulfill two main objectives:

1. To provide to all students a broad or liberal education for citizenship in a democracy;

2. to specifically prepare some students for entrance to colleges or commercial schools, and to encourage others to seek vocational education after high school.

By "broad or liberal education" we mean extensive knowledge and skills in several fields, embracing education of the mind, of the body, and of the character and personality. To these ends, our course of study requires every student to take and pass eleven subjects (four years of English, four years of social studies, two years of science, and one year of math.); our emphases beyond basic information or skill include: 1. the development of the ability to make rational judgments based on accurate information, 2. the cultivation of honesty, integrity, personal responsibility, and self-discipline, 3. the promotion of respect for work, skill in performing, and the will to carry tasks through to completion, 4. to stimulate a desire for continued learning throughout life; and our daily schedule and school activities calendar are so arranged that every student may take physical education, any student may take music and art, and all students may participate in extra-curricula sports, in class dances, or other activities which further development of the social graces and cultural tastes.

By "specific education" we mean the offering of courses, guidance, training, and tests designed to determine or develop individual abilities, and to prepare for entrance after high school to colleges, junior colleges, commercial schools, or other vocational institutions. Such courses and training include advanced math. and science, mechanical drawing, three years of French, shorthand, typing, and office practice. The guidance involves the recognition of individual differences and the effort to keep individual learning close to maximum speed according to potential.

II. LEARNING CLIMATE

As a means of accomplishing the general objectives, we believe that the school should promote a favorable learning climate by seeking to maintain an attractive physical plant, by nurturing harmonious relationships among personnel based on mutual respect and appreciation, and by fostering good public relations.

Note that our objectives do not include vocational education because of limited plant and staff. The town provides tuition and costs of transporation to pupils taking vocational courses in other schools.

The Self-Evaluation will be completed by March 1, 1960 and the visiting committee of the Association is scheduled to visit the school on March 9, 10, and 11, 1960. The visiting committee will be composed of administrators and teachers from N.E.A.C. & S.S. member schools and a member of the Massachusetts State Department of Education.

Charlemont High School is a member in good standing in the Association. The high school joined the N.E.A.C. & S.S. in December 1955 and must be evaluated by a visiting committee of the Association before 1965 to remain a member.

The primary purpose of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is to "upgrade the entire program of high-school education in New England." To achieve this purpose the Association has set up an Evaluation Program for all member and prospective member schools. The aims of the Evaluation Program are: (1) to determine the characteristics of a good secondary school, (2) to evaluate the effectiveness of a school in terms of its objectives, (3) to determine the means and processes by which a good school develops into a better one, and (4) to stimulate and assist secondary schools to continuous growth.

Membership in the N.E.A.C. & S.S. is of importance to the school not only for stimulation of professional improvement but for accrediting purposes. When graduates of Charlemont apply to colleges for admission, the colleges want to know if the high school belongs to any accrediting association. Most Colleges have no way of knowing what one secondary school stands for unless that secondary school belongs to an association that represents high standards of education. Applicants from accredited schools have preference over applicants from schools that are not accredited by any association. The New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is known not only in New England but also throughout the country. Accreditation is even more important when you remember that over 60 percent of Charlemont High School graduates go on to higher schools of learning.

It is a pleasure to work in a town where the school committee, Superintendent, faculty, parents and students are so cooperative and interested in a good educational program.

Respectfully subitted,

ROBERT H. JACKMAN

Principal

GRADUATING PROGRAM

CLASS MOTTO

Diligence Is The Mother Of Good Luck — *Benjamin Franklin*

CLASS COLORS
Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER
Blue and White Carnation

CLASS OFFICERS

President	John A. Streeter
Vice-President	Agnes M. Stafford
Secretary	Richard W. Burnett
Treasurer	Mary A. Lively

CLASS ROLL

Audrey A. Atkins
Richard W. Burnett
William E. Crowningshield
Elizabeth A. Fitzroy
Mary A. Lively
Leland L. Sherman
*Agnes M. Stafford
John A. Streeter
Joan I. Tetreault

**Pro Merito*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Mr. Gerald T. Raymond
Mr. William P. Stafford
Mrs. Leslie F. Vincent

FACULTY
Wilson T. Tilley, *Supt.*
Robert H. Jackman, *Prin.*
Mrs. Irving S. Dolgin
Mrs. Charles C. Gray
Mrs. Edward R. Harris, Jr.
Mrs. Clayburn C. Rich
Mrs. Donald T. Upton
Mr. Leonard Yarrows

Accompanist — Mrs. Caroline Dorst
Marshal — David L. Rich, *President Class of* 1960

GRADUATION PROGRAM

Processional	
Invocation	Reverend Walter G. Hillis
Salutatory Address	Joan I. Tetreault
Class History	John A. Streeter—Richard W. Burnett
Class Will	Leland L. Sherman—Mary A. Lively
Class Prophecy	Audrey A. Atkins

Commencement Address—"The Conservation of Human Resources"
Charles H. McCann, *Director*
North Adams Vocational Program
North Adams, Massachusetts

SONGS

"Sumer is acumen in"	*13th century English Canon*
"Mighty Cedars"—chorale from Cantata—150	*J. S. Bach*
"Dear Land of Home"—from "Findlandia" (words by C. F. M.)	*Jean Sibelius*
Theme from Borodin (Stranger in Paradise)	*Wright and Forrest*
"Recessional"—Kipling	*Gower*

Accompaniments by Gary McKinstry—Cathy Doyle

Presentation of Class Gift	Elizabeth A. Fitzroy
Dedication of Yearbook	William E. Crowningshield
Valedictory Address	Agnes M. Stafford
Presentation of Awards	
American Legion	Patrick J. Coyne Post No. 171
School Awards	Robert H. Jackman, Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	Wilson L. Tilley, Supt.
Class Song	
Benediction	Reverend James J. Moylan
Recessional	
Receiving Line	

CHARLEMONT PUPILS

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1959

Boys and Girls	Age																		
Grade	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Totals
Opp.				1		1		1											3
1		1	16	2															19
2			3	12		1													16
3				3	16	1	1												21
4					6	13	6	3											28
5						3	7	5											15
6							2	10	5		2								19
7								4	12	5		1							22
8									1	6	1	1							9
9										3	7	2	1	1					14
10											4	12	3		1				20
11													6						6
12													2	13	3	1		1	20
13																			
Subn.																			
Ungrd.																			
Total		1	19	18	22	19	16	23	18	14	14	16	12	14	4	1		1	212

REPORT OF
HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Helen Stiles, *Chairman*	Term Expires 1960
Gerald T. Raymond, *Vice Chairman*	Term Expires 1962
Gertrude L. Ogden, *Secretary*	Term Expires 1962
Emma B. Vincent	Term Expires 1961
W. Payson Stafford	Term Expires 1960
Clayburn C. Rich	Term Expires 1961

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT OF THE 1959 HAWLEMONT REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET

Operation-Maintenance

1. The agreement stipulates that this portion of the budget is determined on a per-pupil basis by using the enrollment in the Regional District from each member town as of October 1st of the preceding year.
2. On October 1, 1958, there were 46 children from Hawley and 144 children from Charlemont attending this school.
3. Therefore, the operational percentage for Hawley is 24.21% and 75.79% for Charlemont.
4. Estimated Reimbursement of $18,000.00 for 1959 and a balance of $870.52 for the 1957 appropriation was deducted from the 1959 appropriation, making the sum to be assessed to both towns $60,669.48.
5. Therefore, operation-maintenance cost to both towns is as follows:

Charlemont	$45,981.40	
Hawley	$14,688.08	
		$60,669.48

Debt and Interest

1. The agreement stipulates that Hawley pay 21% and Charlemont 79% of this cost. Each year this amount will decrease and for 1959 it was $21,187.50. This was a decrease of $550.00 over 1958's payment. State reimbursements on the cost of the building was $8,967.60 which made the share to each town as follows:

Charlemont	$1,653.72	
Hawley	2,566.18	
		$12,219.90

Total Cost to Both Towns

	Charlemont	Hawley
Operation-Maintenance	$45,981.40	$14,688.08
Dept & Interest	9,653.72	2,566.18
Combined Assessment	$55,635.12	$17,254.26

CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 1959

Town Expenditure, High School	$ 38,508.00	
Town Appropriation, Regional Operation	45,981.40	
Town Appropriation, Regional Capital	9,653.72	
		$ 94,143.12
GROSS COST TO TOWN FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS		$ 94,143.12
Estimated Reimbursements:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Chapter 70, General School Fund	$ 15,025.82	
Supt's Salary & Travel	2,053.32	
Transportation	2,361.20	
Division of Child Guardianship	809.34	
Vocational Transportation & Tuition	233.00	
PL 85-864	5.28	
Tuition		
Town of Rowe	$ 1,700.00	
Town of Savoy	400.00	
Town of Heath	2,160.00	
Town of Hawley	3,200.00	
Stephen Leonard School Fund Interest	87.76	
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN LOCAL TAX		$ 28,095.72
NET COST TO TOWN FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS		$ 66,047.40

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1959, cash on hand	$ 35,267.46*
Received:	
Town of Charlemont, budget	55,635.12
Town of Hawley, budget	17,254.26
Town of Rowe, tuition	2,960.00
Town of Rowe, office rent	50.00
Town of Heath, tuition	1,200.00
Town of Heath, office rent	50.00

State Treasurer, payment on:		
Approved School Construction	8,967.60	
School Transportation	15,706.84	
Special Class	1,803.58	
Testing	14.25	
Cafeteria Funds	13,093.52	
Income Tax, Retirement & Blue Cross Deductions	7,612.49	
Boston University, reimbursement for Workshop expenses	26.00	
Refund, duplicate check	25.84	
		$ 159,666.96

Paid:		
Operation Warrants	$ 83,299.37	
Debt & Interest Warrants	21,187.50	
Cafeteria Warrants	13,667.33	
Available Funds:		
Cafeteria Account	412.48	
Franklin County Retirement System	57.74	
Federal Withholding Taxes	1,042.40	
Massachusetts Withholding Taxes	164.38	
School Account	39,835.76	
		$159,666.96

*Adjusted by State Auditors

ANN E. DOYLE

Treasurer

CHART OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL — TEACHERS

REGIONAL AND HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Position	Experience	Professional Training
WILSON L. TILLEY	Superintendent	10 years	B. S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
ROBERT H. JACKMAN	Principal-Teacher	8 years	B. S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
FRANCES A. GRAY	Cr. 8-12 English	13 years	B. S. Boston University School of Chinese Stud., Peiping, China
ELIZABETH HARRIS	U. S. History, Civics Gr. 7-8 Social Studies & Science	22 years	B. A. Alfred University Columbia University Hofstra College
DOROTHY ADAMS	English-French	1 year	B. A. MacMurray College M. A. Columbia University Teachers' College
ARTHUR S. PERRONE	Social Studies	4 years	B. A. American International College, University of Hartford
LEONARD A. YARROWS	Gr. 9-12 Math & Science	3 years	B. S. University of Massachusetts
CAMILLE M. SERGI	Commercial Studies	1 year	Salem State Teachers' College
WINIFRED D. LOONEY	Grade 6	13 years	Framingham Normal School

THELMA PURINTON	Grade 5	16 years	North Adams Normal School
GLADYS CLARK	Grade 4	19 years	Aroostook State Normal School
B. CONSTANCE POLLARD	Grade 3	27 years	North Adams Normal School
HAZEL N. RICHMOND	Grade 2	15 years	North Adams Normal School
VERNA TAYLOR	Grade 1	6 years	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
GRACE RAYMOND	Opportunity Class	9 years	Fitchburg Normal School
CAROLINE DORST	Music Supervisor	4 years	A. B. Middlebury College
BEDA LANGEVIN	Lip Reading & Speech Therapy	21 years	B. S. University of New Hampshire, Clarke School for Deaf
JEANETTE RICH	Art Supervisor	17 years	B. S. Massachusetts School of Art

NON-TEACHING PERSONNEL

Ann E. Doyle	Resigned, Secretary
Mary Lou Gift	Secretary
Will C. Turner	School Custodian—Charlemont High School
Charles Purinton	School Custodian—Hawlemont Regional School
Gertrude Maynard	Cafeteria Manager
Grace Stafford	Cafeteria Assistant
Dorothy Morehouse, R. N.	School Nurse
Samuel J. Galbo, M.D.	School Doctor
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL

Disbursement of 1959 Funds and Budget for 1960

	1959 Appropriation	1959 Expenditures	1959 App.
GENERAL CONTROL:			
School Committee Expense	$ 200.00	$ 207.12	$ 210.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,320.00	1,301.69	1,400.00
Superintendent's Other Expense	1,002.00	1,028.88	1,102.00
	2,522.00	2,537.69	2,712.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Principal	4,910.00	4,912.62	5,225.00
Teachers	15,042.00	14,594.08	17,720.00
Supervisors	1,156.00	1,135.97	1,270.00
Substitutes	200.00	228.00	275.00
Staff Expense	235.00	201.89	235.00
Books	700.00	748.43	800.00
Supplies	660.00	646.79	810.00
	$ 22,903.00	$ 22,467.78	$ 26,335.00
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	3,550.00	3,616.58	3,600.00
Fuel	800.00	656.38	800.00
Miscellaneous	585.00	644.10	720.00
	4,935.00	4,917.06	5,120.00
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs & Replacements	1,500.00	1,081.56	1,505.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	40.00	25.90	55.00
Transportation	3,360.00	2,861.18	3,753.00
Vocational	1,270.00	946.10	2,430.00
Physical Education	1,175.00	1,105.45	1,200.00
Driver Education	175.00	218.17	200.00
Insurance	280.00	153.25	240.00
Miscellaneous	150.00	69.54	650.00
	6,450.00	5,379.59	8,528.00
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	1,645.00	1,984.82	2,122.85
Yards & Grounds	200.00	139.50	400.00
	1,845.00	2,124.32	2,522.85
TOTALS	$ 40,155.00	$ 38,508.00	$ 46,722.85

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Disbursement of 1959 Funds and Budget for 1960

	1959 Approp.	1959 Expend.	1960 Approp.
GENERAL CONTROL:			
School Committtee Expense	$ 490.00	$ 302.31	$ 659.00
Superintendent's Salary	3,360.00	3,313.31	3,500.00
Superintendent's Other Expense	1,349.00	1,359.96	1,464.00
	5,199.00	4,975.58	5,623.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Principal	1,610.00	1,612.44	1,875.00
Teachers	36,900.00	36,875.95	40,355.00
Supervisors	3,005.00	2,909.15	3,188.00
Substitutes	350.00	378.00	500.00
Staff Expenses	200.00	65.21	250.00
Books	1,080.00	1,159.08	1,360.00
Supplies	980.00	1,216.05	1,66.00
Physical Handicapped			570.00
	44,125.00	44,198.18	49,758.00
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	3,750.00	3,747.80	4,050.00
Fuel	2,800.00	2,744.07	2,800.00
Miscellaneous	1,700.00	1,895.96	2,200.00
	8,250.00	8,387.83	9,050.00
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs & Replacements	1,026.00	1,341.34	1,586.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	225.00	248.10	240.00
Transportation	16,950.00	15,879.23	18,000.00
Tutition	500.00	33.72	
Physical Education	460.00	344.35	460.00
Miscellaneous	1,115.00	936.57	1,415.00
	19,250.00	17,441.97	20,115.00
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	1,490.00	1,199.53	2,471.00
Yards & Grounds	200.00	139.50	400.00
	1,690.00	1,339.03	2,871.00
TOTALS	$ 79,540.00	$ 77,683.93	$89,003.00

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NURSE 1959

"It's good to be rich in worldly wealth
but more precious by far is the gift of Health"

The Western Franklin Public Health District of Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe offers a generalized health service to folks of all ages. The total number of visits this year was 1256.

Nursing visits are made under the family doctor's orders except for First Aid or in an emergency.

The school nursing program is a busy one. This includes physical examination by the school doctors, vision tests, weighing & measuring, throat or skin checks for signs of contagious diseases and hearing tests by Mrs. Beda Langevin. For First Aid, to check a questionable condition or to take a sick child home all teachers know the nurse is available. At the Hawlemont School 304 were given care in the Health Room since Sept. 1959.

Physical examinations found no serious defects. Hard wax in the ear canal, low arches & the ever present need for dental care was noticeable. Any new defects are reported to the parents. More dental certificates, showing 100% care by the dentist, are coming in. It's wonderful! We want more! Regular burshing really helps to cut down decay.

Once more a thank you to parents keeping a pupil home with a fresh "cold". More than one class room has had half of the children coughing. How it does spread. Vitamin A & D capusles are available. They do help toward better health.

Contagious diseases were higher. Known were: Charlemont, scarlet fever 9 in Jan. & 2 in Nov.—Mumps 5—chicken pox 2 and measles 1. Hawley had chicken pox 1, Heath chicken pox 10 and Rowe scarlet fever 3—chicken pox 1.

"Pink eye" spread quickly in the Heath School. From the first, we tried hard to check it—but it came back several times. In all schools, pupils with pink or discharging eyes must not come to school. Care is needed at home & the spread to others is rapid.

In a Diabetic Finding Program, a urine check for sugar was done in our school union. Three suspicious cases went to the family doctor —no diabetes. For adults, a testing place & time was given for each town—no diabetes. We never know—it was still worth while.

Due to the great danger of suffocation, when children play with plastic bags, a talk was given in all the schools. It was explained how the bag can kill and that no child must have one. Along with this warning we must always bear in mind the dangers of discarded refrigerators. Also watch your automatic driers. Children have been known to climb in them and suffocate.

A Mantoux test (skin test for TB) was given, at the Franklin County Hospital, to 12 High School student cafeteria workers. All had a negative reaction.

Last Spring the Mass. State Dept. of Health warned of the danger of Polio for all persons under 40 not having had 3 shots of Polio Vaccine. From my lists, the mothers of those not completing this series were contacted. Folks under 40—have you all had yours? In May of 1960, we plan another Polio clinic for school & preschool children—the 4th shot. However, any child may have one shot, whether it be the 4th or less. Mothers will be notified of this clinic. This added dose will give more protection for next fall's Polio season. You're wise if you immunize!

At the annual Well Child Conference Dr. M. B. Low gave each child a thorough physical examination & discussed the child's health with the mother. Mrs. George Coombs was the nutritionist for several towns and Mrs. Robert McIntosh, Jr. the dental hygienist in others. Abnormal conditions were referred to the family doctor for care. The number of little tots attending were: Charlemont 66—Hawley 19—Heath 27 and Rowe 13. 'Tis a happy mother when Dr. Low says, "Well child".

Visits were made to new borns, infants and preschool children to aid in maintaining good health.

For a healthy happy time went 2 boys and 2 girls to Health Camp —all were from Charlemont.

We were grateful for the contribution from individuals & organizations. Such assistance has been of great help in emergencies.

The District deeply appreciates the willing cooperation of the many volunteers in the community, without whose help the program could not have been carried on.

Respectfully submitted

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R. N.

District Nurse

1959 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHARLEMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Your fire department under Chief Frank Wells has just completed a very busy, satisfying and fruitful year, one in which we believe our departmental work and community projects has proved beneficial to our own members, the people of Charlemont, and our friends in surrounding communities.

Throughout the year we answered calls to 26 fires: 20 local and 6 out of town.

The officers elected for the year included Deputy Chief Kenneth Henderson, president; and Raymond Willis, secretary-treasurer. Four new members were added to the department during the year, bringing the total membership to thirty-one.

Our one big goal this year was realized with the purchase of a resuscitator. Our campaign was successful only because of the most gratifying response from the many individuals and organizations. The resuscitator is kept at the fire station and is available for immediate emergency use at all times. All firemen have received instruction on its use, and anyone else interested in instruction may have it by contacting Chief Wells. To supplement the resuscitator, the department is ordering an oxygen regulator with its related equipment for the administration of oxygen.

Our annual banquet in April combined an excellent meal, prepared and served by the Legion Auxiliary, and an informative film and talk by Sgt. James Marshall, commander of the Shelburne Falls State Police barracks. Members of our own and neighboring departments and many guests enjoyed a fine evening.

New equipment purchased included battery chargers which keep the truck batteries charged constantly and automatically disengage as the trucks roll out of the station; fender loud speakers to which radio equipment can be connected; and a new pump which supplies stream or pond water to the trucks, which in turn, direct the water to the fire.

Coach Joseph Kolnacki guided the Little Leaguers to another successful season. His fine coaching and training of the boys deserves the praise of the entire community. The team's tag day and game collections raised funds to cover the cost of insurance and equipment.

As in past years the fire department sponsored the Yankee Doodle Days dance, held this year in the Hawlemont gymnasium because of poor weather. For next year plans call for leveling and reseeding a portion of the fairgrounds, and dancing there, so as to relieve the crowded condition at Bissell Bridge.

At present all members of the department are engaged in a project of measuring the exact distance from all residences to the nearest water supply. This will give us vital information as the the length of hose needed, drop to the water supply, and condition of the water supply at all seasons of the year.

This report would not be complete without expressing the thanks of all our members to all Charlemont for the splendid support and cooperation given to your volunteer fire department during the year just completed.

Respectfully submitted,
RAYMOND C. WILLIS
Secretary

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Selectmen and the people of the Town of Charlemont I submit the annual report as Chief of Police of the Town of Charlemont.

During the year I have investigated or assisted the State Police in the investigation of 7 auto accidents. Five summonses were served for other police departments. Twenty six calls were received and investigated.

I have been notified that there were seventeen operators licenses suspended and one revoked during the year. I have issued and signed eleven motor vehicle transfers. I have fingerprinted and processed sixteen pistol permits also one gunsmith and one gun dealers license.

Twenty three arrests were made this year

Cause of arrest	*Male*	*Female*
Operating to Endanger	2	
Drunkeness	8	1
Operating under Influence		1
Operating without License	1	
Operating after suspension of License	1	
Unregistered Motor Vehicle	1	
Lewd person Speech & Behavior	1	
Kidnapping		1
Carrying Loaded gun on Hwy. not hunting	2	
Vagrancy	1	
Insane person	1	
Violation of Probation	1	
Failing to Keep to the right		1

The following Summonses were issued for motor vehicle violation:

Passing with view obstructed	3
Operating without License	1
Speeding	8
Failing to Keep to the right	2
Operating to Endanger	4
Failing to use caution Art. 4, Sect. 9	1

Last fall six members of the department and two constables had the privilege of taking a police course given by Captain Grogan of the Greenfield Police Department at Shelburne Falls. Three members are now in the process of taking the advanced first Aid course at Buckland.

The financial report of the Department will be found on a separate page of this report.

Again I must express my thanks to the personnel of the Shelburne State Police for the help they have given me this past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

CYRUS C. ANNEAR, SR.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

A summer reading program for children such as was sponsored last year by the library trustees, was considered for 1959. It was decided not enough interest was shown to warrant a repetition.

Two trustees, with the librarian, attended the spring meeting of the Connecticut Valley Library Association held at Griswold Memorial Library in Colrain.

The first yearbook supplementing the recently purchased set of Encyclopedia Americana has been received. Several replacements of worn out classics have been made during the past year. Books on practically any subject can be obtained on request through the facilities of the Regional Libarry Center.

The trustees are most disappointed that no disposition has been made of the Tyler building.

Details of disbursement of library funds will be found in the the Selectmen's and Treasurer's reports.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanton Kendrick
Elsie Bissland
Blanche Hunt

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR 1959

The total circulation for the year was 15,933, from the library 11,572—those from the Bookmobile—4,361. Books added—237. We had gifts of books—from the Aldrich Family and Mrs. Verena Taylor.

State Reading Certificates—The following pupils of the Fifth Grade—Mrs. Thelma Purinton, teacher—were awarded certificates—Patty Lamore and Arley Mills were both awarded an Honor certificate—which means they have read at least 20 books—five of which were non fiction. Pupils receiving 5-book certificates — Patty Lamore 7, Arley Mills 4—Edward Racz 4; Roberta Stetson, Paula Rice, John Dean and Larry Parker each received two-; Peter Johnson, Larry Tower, Margaret Avery, Carline La Coss, Leland Gray—Sally Shumway and Harley Hunkler each received one five book certificate.

Library hours—Wednesday—from 2 till 5 P.M. Saturdays—2 till 5 and 7 till 9 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

PEARLE L. TANNER
Librarian

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

During the year 1959, Memorial Park was the scene of many activities; especially "Yankee Doodle Days", which in the opinion of most was the best ever.

Also during the months of August and September, family gatherings were held, besides horse shows, trap shoots, etc.

Work Bees were held at different times to clear away the brush, etc. from the picnic area. New fire places have also been added by different organizations in town.

Money spent the past year was mainly for replacing fifty slates on the grandstand roof, caused by high winds.

We wish at this time to thank all those taking part in the trimming and cleaning of Memorial Park.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles L. Purenton
Harry F. Legate
Avis M. Churchill

REPORT OF THE SANFORD FIFE FUND COMMITTEE

I hereby submit the annual report of income and disbursements under the Sanford Fife Fund for the calendar year 1959:

Fund Income Balance—December 31, 1958	$ 3,833.46
Income 1959	1,875.58
	$ 5,709.04
Disbursements 1959 (8 cases)	1,452.30
Fund income Balance, Dec. 31, 1959	$ 4,256.74

The Fife Fund Committee appointed by the president of the Franklin County Public Hospital Board of Trustees consisted of the following members:

Horace E. Warfield, *Charlemont, Board of Selectmen*
Harry Purinton, *Charlemont, resident*
Richard T. Lyman, *Greenfield, President, F.C.P.H.*
Charles N. Stoddard, Jr. *Greenfield, Appointive Member*
Alexander McAliley, *Greenfield, Hospital Director*

The committee held three meetings. They were as follows—April 13, 1959, September 10, 1959, and October 16, 1959. On April 13, 1959 Richard T. Lyman was elected chairman. The business of the meetings (above disbursements) was duly handled. The committee remained on call for quarterly meetings if applications were pending action.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES N. STODDARD, JR.
Secretary

REPORT OF THE WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS' SERVICE DISTRICT

The 15th annual report of the Western Franklin Veterans' Service District is submitted, herewith, for the information of the Towns concerned.

Requests for Service during 1959 totaled 904. Registrations for Selective Service numbered forty-one. Forty-one veterans applied for State or Veterans Administration Hospital or medical treatment. Two Hundred and thirty requests were received for photostatic copies and we made One Thousand Two hundred and Fifty-four prints. Applications for Non-service Disability pensions continue to increase as the veterans become disabled from age or infirmity. Applications were completed and copies made of vital records and evidence required by the Veterans Administration for Thirty-one cases for Veterans and Widows who are eligible.

Twenty-four new applications for assistance under the provisions of Chapter 115 were received during the year. Thirty-five families received assistance during the year under this law for a total expense of $26,419.07. We now have a total of Nineteen active cases.

The total expense for administration of the District Office for the year was $5,678.76. This amount was divided among the ten Towns, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 599, of the Acts of 1946, in proportion to their assessed valuation.

We are still fortunate in having a V. A. Contact Office at Greenfield with Mr. O'Neil in charge to advise and assist in Veterans Administration claims.

The interest and cooperation of the Town Representatives is very helpful and is greatly apperciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SCOTT

Director and Veterans' Agent

TRUSTEES OF EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

To the Citizens of the Town of Charlemont:

Herewith is submitted the seventh annual report of the Trustees of the East Charlemont School.

At the annual meeting of the trustees it was recommended that $75.00 be appropriated for the coming year for further repairs on the building, mainly to paint the outside shed and replace boards necessary.

During this past year the entrance hallway was scraped and redecorated at the cost of $30.00.

Electricity for the building costs $18.00 per year. This plus the cost of redecorating hallway adds up to approximately the total amount appropriated for 1959.

All labor costs more and the electricity is more than in previous years so in order to continue to improve the building, we must have more money to do so.

Col. Carroll Adams has graciously offered to provide paint for the shed if we will do the labor, which we hope to do this coming year.

Many have used the building for meetings this past year. The East Charlemont Club meets there the last Friday of each month from September through May, and the Cackle Club the first Saturday of each month for the same period of time.

The Extension Service Group has met there also as has a group of Rug Hooking Ladies from Charlemont.

All have expressed gratitude in being able to use the building as a social gathering place and shown interest in improving surroundings and preservation of the building.

Respectfully submitted,

MABLE V. SEARS,

Clerk

REPORT OF THE WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT

The case load has again dropped off in number at the end of the year. The cost figure does not lower and this due mostly to the following. A total of all categories shows 229 hospital days and 7 cases in nursing homes with a total cost of medicals at: hospitals $4,136.59; nursing homes $8,919.89; doctor's fees $1,637.00; drugs $2,299.54; dentists $61.00; glasses $195.50.

	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Case load Jan 1, 1959	25	3	1	0
New cases	5	2	0	1
Cases closed	8	1	1	1
Case load Jan. 1, 1960	22	4	0	0
Burials				1

The following is a statistical analysis of the District's activities:

Number of applications taken	12
Number of home visits made	104
Number of office calls	26
Number of visits from State Area Representatives	17
Number of days Auditor at office	2
Number of Welfare Association Meetings attended	3
Number of Welfare conferences attended	1
Number of visits not classified as home visits	36
Number of Civilian Defence meetings attended	9

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 25,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	526.82
Federal Grant Balance on 1-1-59	
Aid to Dependent Children	105.50
Disability Assistance	36.95
Old Age Assistance	402.87
Federal Grants Received 1959	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,958.00
Disability Assistance	498.00
Old Age Assistance	11,578.00
Cancelled Checks	
Town Account (3)	35.85
Federal Grant (3-OA)	47.05

Aid Granted		
Town Account		
Aid to Dependent Children		$ 2,698.32
Disability Assistance		443.62
Old Age Assistance		22,054.60
Old Age Assistance to other towns (2)		150.13
Welfare		216.00
Federal Grant		
Aid to Dependent Children		3,063.50
Disability Assistance		392.94
Old Age Assistance		12,027.92
Federal Grant Balance forward to 1-1-60		142.01
Disability Assistance		
	$ 41,189.04	$ 41,189.04

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT
BUDGET 1960

Salary— Agent	$ 3,750.00
Clery	2,820.00
Treasurer	150.00
Telephone	150.00
Travel	260.00
Bonding Treasurer	20.00
Postage	200.00
Supplies	60.00
Miscellaneous Charges	125.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin Co. Retirement	344.53
Medical Consultant	$ 100.00
Total	$ 8,279.53

Voted at the December 1, 1959 meeting that the towns assessed share would be $1578 and the same percentages were to be used as in 1959.

Charlemont	42%	$ 664.00
Hawley	12%	189.00
Heath	16%	252.00
Monroe	14%	221.00
Rowe	16%	252.00

Balance brought forward from 1959	854.43
Estimated amount to be received	
Federal	$ 3,700.00
State	2,500.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward from Dec. 31, 1958	$1,400.28	
Town Appropriations:		
Charlemont	420.00	
Hawley	120.00	
Heath	160.00	
Monroe	140.00	
Rowe	160.00	
Federal Grant Administration		
District OAA	2,372.23	
District ADC	1,027.82	
District DA	392.86	
State Administration		
District OAA	1,610.54	
District ADC	685.21	
District DA	261.90	
District GR	95.01	
Withholding tax Federal	931.20	
County Retirement	322.44	
State Tax	37.20	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	200.40	
Phyllis L. Heist, Agent		$ 3,750.00
Transportation		244.23
Edith B. Lynch, Clerk		2,700.00
Mary L. Carpenter, Treasurer		150.00
Dr. Francis Carey, Medical Consultant		50.00
Supplies & Communications		451.28
Bond for Treasurer		20.00
Town of Charlemont, rent		300.00
Assessed share—Franklin County Retirement		326.01
Withholding—Franklin County Retirement		322.44
Federal tax		931.20
State tax		37.20
Blue Cross and Blue Shield		200.40
Credit balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1960		854.43
	$ 10,337.19	$ 10,337.19

Respectfully submitted,
PHYLLIS L. HEIST
Agent

I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1959.

Respectfully,
MARY L. CARPENTER
Assistant Treasurer

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:		
Balance brought forward January 1, 1959	$ 545.59	
Town of Charlemont	1,840.00	
Town of Heath	920.00	
Town of Rowe	920.00	
Town of Hawley	930.00	
Vitamin Capsules	30.50	
Nursing Fees	180.90	
Withholding	562.80	
County Retirement	189.00	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	51.00	
State Tax	30.96	
Total		$ 6,190.75
Disbursements:		
Nurse's Salary	$ 3,780.00	
Nurse's Mileage	396.86	
Phone Service	48.00	
Supplies	37.72	
New England Tel. & Tel.	126.20	
Office Rent	300.00	
Treasurer's Salary	110.00	
Treasurer's Bond	20.00	
Withholding	562.80	
State Tax	30.96	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	51.00	
County Retirement	189.00	
Doctor	50.00	
Business Checks	3.54	
	Total	$ 5,706.08
Balance carried forward to 1960		$ 484.67

Respectfully submitted

MARY L. CARPENTER

Assistant Treasurer

Tax Collectors Report

Taxes Collected from January 1, 1959 to March 9, 1959

1955 Real Estate	$ 301.84
1955 Personal	26.40
1956 Motor Excise	10.89
1956 Real Estate	595.47
1956 Personal	27.60
1956 Poll	2.00
1957 Motor Excise	25.70
1957 Real Estate	870.97
1957 Personal	33.60
1957 Poll	4.00
1958 Farm Animal Excise	6.25
1958 Motor Excise	636.74
1958 Real Estate	2,588.67
1958 Personal	104.78
1958 Poll	20.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

DECEMBER 31, 1959

1955 Personal Property	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	$ 117.56
1955 Personal Property	Abated	.00
1955 Personal Property	Collected	73.56
1955 Personal Property	Outstanding	44.00
1955 Real Estate	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	112.42
1955 Real Estate	Abated	.00
1955 Real Estate	Collected	112.42
1955 Real Estate	Outstanding	.00
1956 Poll	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	4.00
1956 Poll	Abated	.00
1956 Poll	Collected	4.00
1956 Poll	Outstanding	.00
1956 Personal Property	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	580.75
1956 Personal Property	Abated	69.00
1956 Personal Property	Collected	511.75
1956 Personal Property	Outstanding	00
1956 Real Estate	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	408.48
1956 Real Estate	Abated	00
1956 Real Estate	Collected	408.48
1956 Real Estate	Outstanding	00
1956 Motor Excise	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	538.28
1956 Motor Excise	Abated	217.39
1956 Motor Excise	Collected	239.24
1956 Motor Excise	Outstanding	81.65

1957 Poll	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	60.00
1957 Poll	Abated	10.00
1957 Poll	Collected	40.00
1957 Poll	Outstanding	10.00
1957 Personal Property	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	462.56
1957 Personal Property	Abated	15.40
1957 Personal Property	Collected	433.16
1957 Personal Property	Outstanding	14.00
1957 Real Estate	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	2,060.52
1957 Real Estate	Abated	00
1957 Real Estate	Collected	1,721.69
1957 Real Estate	Outstanding	338.83
1957 Motor Excise	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	1,773.03
1957 Motor Excise	Abated	218.88
1957 Motor Excise	Collected	1,069.47
1957 Motor Excise	Outstanding	484.68
1957 Farm Animal	Outstanding	10.50
Estate of Deceased Persons	Outstanding	368.8
1958 Poll	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	$ 112.00
1958 Poll	Abated	8.00
1958 Poll	Collected	84.00
1958 Poll	Outstanding	20.00
1958 Personal Property	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	605.12
1958 Personal Property	Abated	6.20
1958 Personal Property	Collected	507.16
1958 Personal Property	Outstanding	91.76
1958 Real Estate	Recommitted (Mar. 9, 1959)	7,911.00
1958 Real Estate	Abated	00
1958 Real Estate	Collected	6,397.16
1958 Real Estate	Outstanding	1,513.84
1958 Motor Excise	Recommited (Mar. 9, 1959)	1,964.51
1958 Motor Excise	Abated	71.30
1958 Motor Excise	Collected	1,238.61
1958 Motor Excise	Outstanding	654.60
1958 Farm Animal	Outstanding	28.01
1958 Motor Excise	Committed (Mar. 19, 1959)	20.57
1958 Motor Excise	Abated	00
1958 Motor Excise	Collected	20.57
1958 Motor Excise	Outstanding	00
1959 Poll	Committed (Apr. 1, 1959)	482.00
1959 Poll	Abated	16.00
1959 Poll	Collected	406.00
1959 Poll	Outstanding	60.00

1959 Personal Property	Committed (Apr. 8, 1959)	11,297.79
1959 Personal Property	Abated	22.05
1959 Personal Property	Collected	10,177.96
1959 Personal Property	Outstanding	1,097.78
1959 Real Estate	Committed (Apr. 8, 1959)	88,201.76
1959 Real Estate	Abated	1,706.77
1959 Real Estate	Collected	77,304.00
1959 Real Estate	Outstanding	9,190.99
1959 Motor Excise	Six Commitments	9,012.67
1959 Motor Excise	Abated	540.35
1959 Motor Excise	Collected	6,850.34
1959 Motor Excise	Outstanding	1,621.98
1959 Farm Animal	Committed (Apr. 8, 1959)	294.11
1959 Farm Animal	Abated	00
1959 Farm Animal	Collected	256.73
1959 Farm Animal	Outstanding	37.38
1959 Trailer Tax	Collected	479.00
1959 Interest	Collected	745.82

Respectfully submitted

RAYMOND C. WILLIS
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

Snow Roads and Bridges

During the year we have removed 78 inches of snow, using 2500 yards of sand, 40 tons of salt and chloride, in order to keep our winter roads in a passable condition.

In dollars this amounts to $7000 plus $550 overdraft, $2500 of State Chapter 90 Maintenance and $1400 of Chapter 81 allotment, also 25 tons of salt and chloride a donation by Stone and Webster, making a total of $11,450.

Chapter 81

The Chapter 81 roads have been scraped, drained and repaired during the year, the allocation will show the distribution of funds for each road.

For the permanent work we have been able to relocate a strip of road on the West Oxbow, widen and drain a bad section of Warfield Road, with the remainder of the money being spent on Legate Hill Road.

Chapter 90 Construction

An additional half mile of the South River Road has been constructed and the 1958 and 1959 contracts were hard surfaced with three coats of asphalt and pea rock, which gives us approximately one mile more of hard top road.

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Owing to the cut of $3000 in this chapter it is very hard for us to keep our country roads up in shape. Practically all the money was spent in seal coating the Zoar, North Heath and Heath Roads.

Respectfully submitted

PAUL C. HEIST

Road Superintendent

CHARLEMONT 1959 CHAPTER 81 DISTRIBUTION

Road #	Road	Scrap.	Gravel	Ledge	Drain	Brush	Patching Gravel	Patching Bitum.	Surf. Treatment Oil	Surf. Treatment Tar	Widen	Grits	Perm.	Totals
1	Zoar				175.00	97.00	156.66				200.00			$ 628.66
2	Rowe				25.00	32.00	126.64							183.64
3	No. Heath				422.80	72.00	136.64					50.00		681.44
4	Vincent	100.00			45.00	6.00								151.00
5	Warner Hill #1	45.00			81.50									126.50
6	Warner Hill #2	295.00	100.00		76.00									471.00
9	Burrington	130.00	48.60		140.00	6.00	38.00					110.00		472.60
10	Center Heath				100.00							93.34		193.34
11	Mountain	355.00	25.00		110.00	17.00	95.00					10.00		612.00
12	Mt. Rd. Branch	35.00			10.00									45.00
13	So. Heath	75.00	37.00		20.00									132.00
14	Birchlane	20.00												20.00
15	Mine	5.00			10.00									15.00
16	Maxwell	253.95			141.00	17.00								411.95
17	Woods													
18	Hicks	60.00	37.00		30.00									127.00
19	Legate Hill	186.00	1008.70		125.00	17.00	77.65					10.00		1,424.35
20	Phipps	30.00			10.00									40.00
21	Laurel Lane	30.00			15.00									45.00
22	Potters	30.00			23.80									53.80
23	Tower	128.00			5.00	24.00	106.00					10.00		273.00
24	Ledge Lane	33.00	10.00		25.00									68.00
25	Todd Mt.		100.00											100.00
26	Cold River													
28	West Hawley				40.00	32.00	136.64							208.64
29	Chickley	30.00	10.00		10.00									50.00
30	So. Chickley	30.00	10.00		10.00									50.00
31	South River	227.00			151.00	22.00	20.00					10.00		430.00
32	Dodge Corner		10.00											10.00

33	East Hawley			454.27	12.00	44.39				510.66
34	Warfield		100.00	270.61		112.04	633.14	60.00	300.00 588.00	2,063.79
35	Colonial Hill					8.00				8.00
36	Riddell	60.00	10.00	135.00	20.00	25.00				250.00
37	High			150.00	40.00					190.00
38	Heath			86.00	17.00					103.00
39	Burnt Hill	175.00		70.00						245.00
40	West Oxbow	428.00	246.00	90.00	17.00		293.69		760.60	1,835.29
41	East Oxbow	175.00		70.00	5.00					250.00
42	River View					75.00				75.00
43	North River			86.00	75.00	20.00				181.00
44	Colrain	50.00		15.00	20.00	15.00				100.0
45	Johnson	50.00		15.00	10.00					75.00
46	South			25.00						25.00
47	East Harmony			65.00		25.00	160.00		100.00	350.00
48	North			30.00		20.00				50.00
49	Academy Lane			11.00						11.00
50	Elm			11.00						11.00
51	Mill Hollow		25.00							25.00
52	Harmony			30.00		50.00				80.00
53	Rice Fort			30.00		20.00				50.00
54	Park									
55	Factory		15.00							15.00
56	School			100.00						100.00
57	Hawks									
58	Rowe Branch									
59	Maple Terrace			25.00						25.00
60	Windy Hill									
61	Hillandale			25.00						25.00
	Culvert Reserve									200.00
	Snow and Ice Control									1,397.34
	TOTALS	3035.95	1792.30	3594.98		1307.66	1086.83	260.00	693.34 1348.60	$15,275.00

Town Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

General cash in Treasury, January 1, 1959	$ 51,046.72
Frank Legate, Cemetery Fund Interest	6.30
Stephen W. Hawkes, Cemetery Fund Interest	6.30
Philemon Rice, Cemetery Fund Interest	5.60
Potter Cemetery Fund Interest	31.49
Jennie & Lewis Sears, Cemetery Fund Interest	15.74
Sears, Mantor & Lyman, Cemetery Fund Interest	15.74
Fred W. Hawkes, Library Fund Interest	30.23
Wildcat Bounty	40.00
Borrowed Note	25,935.08
Kingsley Reunion, Use of Fairgrounds	10.00
Conn. & Deerfield Valley Pomona Grange — Use of Fairgrounds	10.00
Charlemont Lions Club for Christmas Fund	10.00
District Court Fines	50.00
Welfare District Postage	31.40
Advertising	19.66
Sealer's Fees	27.80
All Alcoholic Licenses	1,500.00
All Alcoholic Seasonal Licenses	700.00
Package Store Licenses	400.00
Plantation Club License	250.00
Wine and Malt Beverage License	200.00
All Other Licenses and Permits	171.50
Blue Cross—Blue Shield	692.00
Federal Withholding Tax	4,996.89
State Withholding Tax	300.70
County of Franklin, Retirement	806.26
County Treasurer, Refunds and Dog Licenses	562.17
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	306.56
Town Hall—Rent	603.00
Fire Department Receipts	149.13
Trailer Park Rental	521.00
State Treasurer, Com. Vets Services	964.62
State Treasurer, Meal Tax Distribution	951.73
State Treasurer, Live Stock Disease Control	37.50
State Treasurer, Income Tax	4,368.64
State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	5,298.61
	$101,072.37

HIGHWAYS

State Treasurer, Chapter 90M	$ 4,500.00
County Treasurer, Chapter 90M	2,000.00
State Treasurer, Chapter 90C	6,000.00
County Treasurer, Chapter 90C	3,000.00

State Treasurer, Chapter 81	$ 13,380.95	
State Treasurer, Bond Issue	2,302.69	
Machinery Earnings	9,509.59	
		$ 40,693.23

SCHOOLS

State Treasurer, Transportation	$ 2,361.20	
State Treasurer, Vocational Education	233.00	
State Treasurer, Division of Child Guardianship	809.34	
State Treasurer, School Aid Chapter, 70	11,269.00	
State Treasurer, National Defense Education	5.28	
Town of Hawley, Tuition	3,200.00	
Town of Heath, Tuition	2,160.00	
Town of Rowe, Tuition	1,760.00	
Town of Savoy, Tuition	400.00	
Stephen Leonard School Fund Interest	87.76	
High School Athletic Funds	1,479.35	
Northern Berkshire Vocational School Planning Board	5.13	
		$ 28,051.88

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State Treasurer, O.A.A. State	$ 17,702.33	
State Treasurer, O.A.A. Federal	11,578.00	
State Treasurer, A.D.C. State	2,346.91	
State Treasurer, A.D.C. Federal	2,958.00	
State Treasurer, D.A. State	270.39	
State Treasurer, D.A. Federal	498.00	
State Treasurer, Welfare Transportation	12.00	
Town of Brookfield, O.A.A.	36.78	
Town of Deerfield, O.A.A.	40.57	
Town of Rowe, O.A.A.	194.24	
O.A.A. Check Refunds	53.85	
A.D.C. Refund	272.40	
		$ 35,992.52

TAXES

1955 Real Estate	$ 414.26
1955 Personal	99.96
1956 Motor Excise	250.13
1956 Real Estate	1,003.95
1956 Personal	539.35
1956 Poll	6.00
1957 Motor Excise	1,090.46
1957 Real Estate	2,592.66
1957 Personal	466.76

1957 Poll	$ 44.00	
1958 Poll	104.00	
1958 Personal	611.94	
1958 Real Estate	8,985.83	
1958 Motor Excise	1,888.88	
1958 Farm Animal Excise	6.25	
1959 Poll	404.00	
1959 Personal	10,181.11	
1959 Real Estate	77,483.86	
1959 Motor Excise	7,174.36	
1959 Farm Animal Excise	256.73	
Interest	745.82	
Warrants	90.50	
Demands	208.60	
		$ 114,649.41
		$ 320,459.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Selectmen's Warrants	$ 216,545.43	
School Warrants	38,508.00	
Athletic Warrants	1,318.26	
General cash in Treasury, December 31, 1959	64,087.72	
		$ 320,459.41

TOWN FUNDS HELD BY TREASURER

Fred W. Hawkes Library Fund	$ 1,000.00
Maxwell Library Fund	1,000.00
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	2,947.31
Stephen Leonard School Fund	2,869.00
Potter Cemetery Fund	1,000.00
Jennie Z. & Lewis Sears Cemetery Fund	500.00
M. Mantor and J. Lyman Cemetery Fund	500.00
S. W. Hawkes Cemetery Fund	200.00
Frank M. Legate Cemetery Fund	200.00
Philomen Rice Cemetery Fund	185.74

Respectfully submitted,

BEDA A. LANGEVIN

Treasurer

TOWN EXPENDITURES

SNOW, ROADS AND BRIDGES

Town Appropriation	$ 7,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	537.15	
Superintendent		$ 896.85
Labor Payroll		3,259.80
Town Equipment		1,851.00
Hired Equipment		10.00
Salt		504.20
Sand		885.00
Plank		117.55
Nails		12.75
	$ 7,537.15	$ 7,537.15

CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	$ 2,350.00	
State Contract	12,925.00	
Superintendent		$ 1,707.15
Labor Payroll		6,486.90
Town Equipment		3,341.54
Hired Equipment		1,178.30
Culverts		426.99
Grit		445.89
Gravel		227.40
Tar		1,365.49
Sand		47.45
Miscellaneous		47.89
	$ 15,275.00	$ 15,275.00

CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
State Contract	2,000.00	
County Contract	2,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 435.60
Labor Payroll		1,717.40
Town Equipment		1,142.74
Tar		2,201.68
Gravel		411.40
Lumber and Stakes		91.18
Credit Balance		1,000.00
	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,000.00

CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE

Special Grant from State	$ 2,500.00	
Superintendent		$ 290.40
Labor Payroll		1,048.80

Town Equipment		712.65
Sand		353.75
Salt		94.40
	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION — SOUTH RIVER ROAD

Town Appropriation ($2,302.69 from Chapter 718)	$ 3,000.00	
State Contract	6,000.00	
County Contract	3,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 608.40
Labor Payroll		2,341.20
Town Equipment		2,415.16
Hired Equipment		2,536.00
Culverts		718.40
Grit		750.69
Cement		14.50
Grade Stakes		5.55
Gravel		654.00
Tar		1,956.10
	$ 12,000.00	$ 12,000.00

TOWN DUMP

Town Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Albert E. Maynard		$ 115.00
Labor Payroll		6.00
Town Equipment		11.50
Credit balance		17.50
	$ 150.00	$ 150.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VACATIONS

Town Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Superintendent		$ 79.20
Labor Payroll		309.60
Credit Balance		11.20
	$ 400.00	$ 400.00

FAIRGROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Robert Pratt		$ 70.00
Frank Kirchlechner		15.00
Nails		2.50
Slate		7.50
Credit balance		5.00
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

MACHINERY — NEW EQUIPMENT

Town appropriation (from Machinery Fund)	$ 2,500.00	
Perkins Machinery Company, Inc.		$ 2,500.00
	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

MACHINERY

Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	$ 5,500.00	
Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	1,500.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 16.13
Christine Turner—rent		300.00
Gasoline		1,548.20
Oil		330.00
Diesel Fuel		178.21
Miscellaneous Parts		1,446.32
Miscellaneous Repairs		2,451.27
Lubrication		74.82
Tires and Tubes		366.63
Cross Chain		200.00
Kerosene		17.68
Anti-Freeze		43.20
Beda A. Langevin Insurance Agency		18.00
Credit balance		9.54
	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,000.00

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Town Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Four Cases		$ 3,105.04
Credit balance		1,894.96
	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Town appropriation	$ 420.00	
Western Franklin Welfare District		$ 420.00
	$ 420.00	$ 420.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Town Appropriation	$ 1,840.00	
Western Franklin Public Health District		$ 1,840.00
	$ 1,840.00	$ 1,840.00

TOWN HALL

Town Appropriation	$ 1,700.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	164.97	
Salary of Janitor		$ 720.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		113.83
Charlemont Oil Company		866.94
Repairs		113.15
Supplies		41.05
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
	$ 1,864.97	$ 1,864.97

STREET LIGHTS

Town appropriation	$ 1,170.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	265.44	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 1,435.44
	$ 1,435.44	$ 1,435.44

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Appropriation	$ 4,200.00	
Salary of Selectmen		$ 900.00
Salary of Town Clerk		450.00
Salary of Town Treasurer		750.00
Salary of Tax Collector		600.00
Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures		75.00
Salary of Clerk Assessor		350.00
Salary of Two Assessors		500.00
Salary of Fire Chief		100.00
Moderator		10.00
Inspector of Animals		75.00
Inspector of Slaughtering		23.90
Dog Officer		15.00
Ballot Clerks and Tellers		40.00
Posting Town Meeting Warrants		6.00
Office Clerk—Beda A. Langevin		227.00
Credit balance		78.10
	$ 4,200.00	$ 4,200.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 2,300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	19.35	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 35.15
Charlemont Oil Company		318.83
Labor Payroll		359.45
Equipment		807.58
Repairs		192.05

Lubrication		$ 28.80
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		202.49
Mrs. Earle K. Howes		365.00
Tri-State Mutual Aid dues		10.00
	$ 2,319.35	$ 2,319.35

LEGION ROOMS

Town Appropriation	$ 240.00	
I.O.O.F. Union Lodge—rent		$ 240.00
	$ 240.00	$ 240.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	9.20	
Flags		$ 19.20
Wreaths		35.00
Richard Breen		5.00
	$ 59.20	$ 59.20

BOARD OF HEALTH

Town appropriation	$ 300.00	
Franklin County Board of Health Assoc.		$ 6.00
Dr. Merritt Low		150.00
Mrs. Vesta Coombs		52.20
Mrs. Rosyln McIntosh		48.92
Mrs. Winifred Spear		16.56
Credit balance		26.32
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE SUPPRESSION

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Pruner Head and Poles		$ 17.01
Roy A. Hicks and Helper		282.90
Credit balance		.09
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

BONDING TOWN OFFICERS

Town Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Henry Hicks Insurance Agency		$ 222.00
Credit balance		28.00
	$ 250.00	$ 250.00

INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,100.00	
Workmens Compensation (Langevin Ins. Agcy.)		$ 1,044.83
Town Property Ins. (Langevin Isn. Agcy.)		590.04
Liability Ins. on Town Vehicles (Langevin Ins. Agcy.)		359.42
Credit balance		105.71
	$ 2,100.00	$ 2,100.00

TYLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Interest from Maxwell Library Fund	31.49	
Interest from Fred W. Hawkes Fund	30.23	
Interest from Tyler Memorial Trust Fund	268.16	
Librarian's salary		$ 350.00
Campbell and Hall, Inc.		263.09
Marboro Books		14.91
Thomas Bouregy & Co.		32.33
Roadside Bookshop		37.00
Merrill Pollinger		13.80
Gaylord Brothers		12.73
Moore-Cottrell Subscription Agencies		32.65
History of Leyden		7.80
Americana Corporation		6.00
Liberty Book Shop		12.12
Miscellaneous books		14.00
Desk Supplies		3.00
Credit balance		30.45
	$ 829.88	$ 829.88

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND

Town appropriation	$ 929.96	
Franklin County Retirement System		$ 929.96
	$ 929.96	$ 929.96

CHRISTMAS FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
From Charlemont Lions Club	10.00	
A. L. Avery & Son		$ 2.09
Cariddi Sales Company		$ 107.91
	$ 110.00	$ 110.00

OLD CEMETERIES

Town Appropriation	$ 35.00	
Charles Purinton		$ 35.00
	$ 35.00	$ 35.00

EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Company		$ 15.97
Painting Hallway		$ 30.00
Credit Balance		4.03
	$ 50.00	$ 50.00

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 55,635.12	
Hawlemont Regional School District		$ 55,635.12
	$ 55,635.12	$ 55,635.12

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Town Appropriation	$ 941.60	
Mohawk Trail Regional School District		$ 941.60
	$ 941.60	$ 941.60

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 24.00	
Northern Berkshire Regional Vocational School		$ 24.00
	$ 24.00	$ 24.00

INTEREST

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Shelburne Falls National Bank		$ 293.15
Credit balance		6.85
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

TOWN HISTORY

Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Credit balance		$ 500.00
	$ 500.00	$ 500.00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Town appropriation	$ 25.00	
Credit balance		$ 25.00
	$ 25.00	$ 25.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	66.63	
Cyrus C. Annear		$ 274.13
Auxiliary Police Payroll		23.75
Shelburne-Buckland Police Assoc.		15.00
Roto Beam Light		49.50
Supplies		4.25
	$ 366.63	$ 366.63

MISCELLANEOUS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,900.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	228.41	
Selectmen's Expense		$ 48.30
Town Clerk Expense		51.31
Treasurer's Expense		154.00
Assessor's Expense		192.46
Tax Collector's Expense		218.05
Greenfield Recorder Gazette		22.78
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.		154.11
Office Expense		10.30
Frank J. Wells—water rent		35.00
Avis Churchill—water rent		6.00
Printing Town Reports and Postage		672.38
Ballots		61.80
Sheriff Horace E. Warfield		10.70
County of Franklin		1.00
Horace T. Clark		1.00
Dinner for Queens, Yankee Doodle Days		25.92
F. Deane Avery Associates		207.00
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett and Trudell		256.30
	$ 2,128.41	$ 2,128.41

WITHHOLDING TAX

Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 4,847.13
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	300.50

BLUE CROSS—BLUE SHIELD

Blue Cross—Blue Shield	687.75

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND

Franklin County Retirement System	$ 805.96

WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center	$ 409.50

CEMETERY FUNDS		
Treasurer, Leavitt Cemetery		$ 18.20
Treasurer, Village Cemetery		62.97
STATE AND CITY TAXES		
State Treasurer, Auditing Town Accounts		$ 906.15
State Treasurer, Parks and Reservations		454.22
County Treasurer, Dog License		277.50
County Treasurer, County Tax		6,159.67
		$ 7,797.54
DOG OFFICE EXPENSE		
Dog Officer's Expense		$ 64.00
WILDCAT BOUNTY		
Six Bounties		$ 60.00
REPAYMENT OF LOAN		
Shelburne Falls National Bank		$ 26,650.00
TOWN OF HAWLEY		
For Hawley's share of Christmas Tree Party		$ 29.97
COLLECTOR'S DEMANDS		
Tax Collectors' Demands and Warrants		$ 299.95
REAL ESTATE TAX REFUNDS		
Two Refunds for 1959		$ 179.86
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS		
One Refund for 1959		$ 3.15
MOTOR EXCISE REFUNDS		
Three Refunds for 1958		$ 25.61
Twenty Five Refunds for 1959		332.05
RESERVE FUND		
Town Appropriation	$ 2,000.00	
Memorial Day		$ 9.20
Street Lights		265.44
Snow, Roads		537.15
Public Assistance		526.82
Town Hall		164.97
Fire Department		19.35
Miscellaneous		228.41
Police Department		66.63
Credit balance		182.03
	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
MEMORIAL PARK		
Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Credit balance, to be carried over to 1960		$ 500.00
	$ 500.00	$ 500.00

RECAPITUALTION

HIGHWAYS

Snow, Roads & Bridges	$ 7,537.15	
Chapter 81	15,275.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	6,000.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,500.00	
Chapter 90 Construction South River Road	12,000.00	
Highway Department Vacations	388.80	
Machinery	6,990.46	
Machinery, new equipment	2,500.00	
		$ 53,191.41

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Welfare	$ 216.00	
Veterans Benefits	3,105.04	
Disability Assistance	836.56	
Old Age Assistance	34,232.65	
Aid to Dependent Children	5,761.82	
Western Franklin Welfare District	420.00	
Western Franklin Veterans Center	409.50	
		$ 44,981.57

HEALTH

Western Franklin Public Health District	$ 1,840.00	
Board of Health	273.68	
Town Dump	132.50	
		$ 2,246.18

ADMINISTRATION

Town Hall	$ 1,864.97	
Officers Salaries	4,121.90	
Miscellaneous	2,128.41	
Interest	293.15	
Employees Retirement Fund	929.96	
Auditing Accounts	906.15	
		$ 10,244.54

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	$ 366.63	
Fire Department	2,319.35	
Street Lights	1,435.44	
		$ 4,121.42

TAXES

State Parks and Reservations	$ 454.22	
County Dog Tax	277.50	
County Tax	6,159.67	
		$ 6,891.39

INSURANCE

Bonding Town Officers	$ 222.00	
Workmen's Compensation	1,044.83	
Town Property Fire Insurance	590.04	
Liability Insurance on Town Vehicles	359.42	
		$ 2,216.29

TYLER LIBRARY

Tyler Memorial Library	$ 799.43	

SCHOOLS

Hawlemont Regional School District	$ 55,635.12	
Mohawk Trail Regional School District	941.60	
Northern Berkshire Regional Vocational School	24.00	
		$ 56,600.72

ALL OTHER EXPENSES

Memorial Day	$ 59.20	
Christmas Fund	110.00	
Gypsy Moth & Dutch Elm Disease Suppression	299.91	
Old Cemeteries	35.00	
Legion	240.00	
East Charlemont School	45.97	
Fairgrounds Maintenance	95.00	
		$ 885.08

SPECIAL

Withholding Taxes (deductions)	$ 5,147.63	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield (deductions)	687.75	
Franklin County Retirement (deductions)	806.26	
Treasurers, Village and Leavitt Cemeteries	81.17	
Dog Officers Expense	64.00	
Wildcat Bounties	60.00	
Repayment of Loan	26,650.00	
Tax Refunds	540.00	
Collector's Demands	299.95	
Town of Hawley—for Christmas Fund	29.97	
		$ 34,367.40
Total		$216,545.43

MACHINERY EARNINGS—TOWN OF CHARLEMONT

Snow, Roads and Bridges	$ 1,851.00	
Chapter 81	3,341.54	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,855.39	
Chapter 90 Construction	2,415.16	
Town Dump	11.50	
		$ 9,474.59

MACHINERY EARNINGS—OUT OF TOWN

Town of Hawley	$ 35.00	

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

This is the eleventh annual report of the Finance Committee.

During the year authorization has been given several times for the transfer of money from the Reserve Fund to other accounts. Record of these transfers can be found in the Town Expenditures.

Higher costs in several accounts were due primarily to increases in salaries, the wage scale and also higher prices for public utilities and supplies.

The Committee has worked with the Selectmen in the preparation of the 1960 Budget and although your Selectmen and Finance Committee have conscientiously tried to keep all expenses at a minimum, once again we find it difficult to keep the total amount from rising.

D. A. Lanoue

Leslie F. Vincent

Ann E. Doyle

Town Clerk's Report

1959

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

1959	Name	Parents
Jan. 8	Pearl Marie Taylor	Floyd Henry Taylor Ann Marie Poissant
Jan. 17	Edward Carl Coates	Allen McClure Coates Sylvia Angel Baxter
Jan. 28	Michael Joseph Cavanagh	Edward Joseph Cavanagh Ruth Louise McArthur
Feb. 5	Nancy Lee Dean	Fred Ernest Dean Blanche Yarter
Feb. 18	Faith Mary Burrington	Lawrence Everett Burrington Constance Penageota Dally
Mar. 9	Susan Margaret Tilley	Wilson Lawrence Tilley Priscilla Ethel Harvey
Mar. 15	Priscilla Elizabeth Wilson	J. Gilbert Wilson, Jr. Hazel Dora Hillman
Mar. 20	Dennis Gordon Griswold	Gordon Lewis Griswold Annette Emilie Gould
Apr. 3	Barbara Jean Beaushaw	John Frederick Beaushaw Joyce Fay Fenior
Apr. 30	Debra Ruth Bliss	Verne Ellsworth Bliss Janet Albee
June 8	Jeffrey Albert Purinton	Horace George Purinton Dorothy Elizabeth Hunkler
June 17	David Alan Dyer	George Blanding Dyer, Jr. Janet Elizabeth Spencer
Oct. 13	Janice Beth McCloud	Everett Bertrand McCloud Marion Alice Stone
Dec. 29	Craig Steven Rice	Donald A. Rice Martha A. Lynch

COMPARISON TABLE OF BIRTHS

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
18	14	15	20	14

MARRIAGES

1959	Name	Residence
Jan. 24	William Charles Werth	Charlemont, Mass.
	Gladys Petrea Knechtel	Charlemont, Mass.
Feb. 7	Norman A. Hicks	Charlemont, Mass.
	Betty A. Slaunwhite	Charlemont, Mass.
July 11	Robert L. Rice	Charlemont, Mass.
	Gail A. Copley	Buckland, Mass.
July 26	Philip John O'Connor	Pittsfield, Mass.
	Mary Edith Lynch	Charlemont, Mass.
Aug. 15	Frank C. Siecienski	Middletown, Conn.
	Peggy A. Otwell	Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 7	Robert E. Steere	Chepachet, R. I.
	Dorothy P. Kenyon	Charlemont, Mass.
Oct. 10	Walter C. Palmer	Charlemont, Mass.
	Dale K. Moodie	Northampton, Mass.

COMPARISON TABLE OF MARRIAGES

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
11	9	10	14	7

DEATHS

1959	Name	Yrs.	Mo.	Days
Jan. 15	Katharine Andrews Healy	87	7	1
Mar. 24	Dorothy Velma (Bouldry) Parks	49	6	18
May 2	Olivia "Regnier" DeGraffe	81		
June 28	Willard E. Booth	56	11	27
July 2	Helen Wright Avery	71	1	3
July 26	Mary (Knight) Parks	74	2	2
Aug. 21	Minnie Vincent Humphrey	84	5	26
Sept. 21	Jennie Rebecca (Ballard) Duncan	82	11	5
Oct. 5	Severino J. Cetto	44	0	24
Oct. 30	Emma (Willard) Sey	77	8	21
Nov. 28	Giulio Vittorossi	87	10	16
Dec. 1	Frances McKinstry	75	11	23

COMPARISON TABLE OF DEATHS

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
13	15	12	11	12

365 FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED

7	Resident Citizens' Sporting & Trapping Licenses to persons seventy or more years old		Free
1	Resident Citizens' Fishing License to the blind		Free
70	Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses @ $3.25		$ 227.50
98	Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses @ $3.25		318.50
92	Resident Citizens' Sporting Licenses @ $5.25		483.00
16	Resident Citizen Minors' Fishing Licenses @ $1.25		20.00
42	Resident Citizen Females' Fishing Licenses @ $2.25		94.50
1	Resident Citizens' Trapping License @ $7.75		7.75
18	Special Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $2.75		49.50
5	Non-Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses @ $7.75		38.75
7	Non-Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses @ $15.25		106.75
1	Non-Resident Citizens' Sporting License @ $20.25		20.25
7	Duplicate Licenses @ .50		3.50
	Paid Division of Fisheries and Game	$ 1,282.50	
	Fees retained	87.50	
			$ 1,370.00

120 DOG LICENSES ISSUED — 2 KENNEL LICENSES

59	Male Dog Licenses @ $2.00		$ 118.00
11	Female Dog Licenses @ $5.00		55.00
50	Spayed Female Dog Licenses @ $2.00		100.00
1	Kennel License @ $10.00		10.00
1	Kennel License @ $25.00		25.00
	Paid Town Treasurer	$ 277.50	
	Fees retained	30.50	
			$ 308.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER

Town Clerk

Assessors Report

The Charlemont Board of Assessors report the following valuation for 1959.

	Personal	*Real*
Adams, Carroll E.	$ 100.00	
Adams, Dorothy		$ 4,340.00
Adams, Dorothy		120.00
Adams, Glenn E. & Dorothy L.		7,020.00
Adams, N. Eugene & Eva M.		5,025.00
Adams, N. Eugene & Eva M.		120.00
Adler, Carl E.	400.00	
Adler, Pearl I. & Carl B.		6,010.00
Adler, Ralph E. & Florence B.		300.00
Albee, John E.		1,300.00
Aldrich, Allie C.	200.00	4,525.00
Anderson, Mrs. Andres	100.00	1,595.00
Anderson, Raymond A.	4,400.00	150.00
Andrews, Warren	70.00	
Andrews, Warren & Irene		1,330.00
Angeli, Augusto Est. & Emma		3,420.00
Annear, Cyrus C. & Lillian W.		4,085.00
Anthony, Arthur J.		200.00
Amidon, Vesta Sawyer		5,070.00
Amidon, Vesta Sawyer		1,045.00
Amidon, Vesta Sawyer		100.00
Askew, Doris A. & Frank, Mildred H.		1,310.00
Atkins, Ralph B. & Doris S.		1,900.00
Avery, Francis W. Est.		5,770.00
Avery, A. I. & Son	14,200.00	
Avery, Henry L.		5,335.00
Avery, Henry L.		2,670.00
Avery, Henry L.		2,570.00
Avery, Henry L.		375.00
Avery, Henry L.		12,220.00
Avery, Henry L., Jr.		4,765.00
Babcock, Henry E. & Daniel H.	50.00	1,000.00
Babcock, Henry E. & Daniel H.		100.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		6,045.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		300.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		810.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		660.00
Bannish, John E.		200.00
Bannish, John E.		325.00
Bannish, John E.		900.00
Barrett, Earl E. & Ella M.	2,000.00	14,700.00
Baxter, Charles M.	90.00	1,510.00

	Personal	*Real*
Bedaw, Beverly A.		1,100.00
Bicknell, Fred O.		3,575.00
Bilhoefer, John A. & Ruthetta S.	450.00	3,025.00
Bissland, James H.	95.00	
Bissland, James H. & Elsie C.		7,395.00
Blann, Stanley & Marjorie		650.00
Bliss, Marion E.		2,750.00
Bliss, Verne E.	40.00	
Bliss, Verne E. & Janet A.		1,390.00
Booth, Harold L.	20.00	
Booth, Robert	50.00	280.00
Booth, William		$ 745.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		19,165.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		285.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		550.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		6,850.00
Boullie, William J.	750.00	
Boullie, William J. & Anna T.		2,750.00
Boullie, William J. & Anna T.		675.00
Brant, James & Lorna D.		3,825.00
Brant, James & Lorna D.		2,350.00
Bowen, Helen		8,895.00
Breen, Roy H.		3,080.00
Bremer, Ruth M.		4,315.00
Brown, Frank	50.00	
Brown, Frank S. & Rita H.		2,270.00
Burger, Celia I.	75.00	1,240.00
Burnett, Arnold K.	30.00	
Burnett, Arnold K. & Lucy E.		2,540.00
Burnett, Norman A.	115.00	
Burnett, Norman A. & Phyllis J.		3,870.00
Burnett, Wilbur I.	125.00	3,535.00
Burnett, William R.	20.00	
Burrington, Frederick W. & Sumner, Ralph C.		640.00
Burrington, Lawrence E.	75.00	
Burt, Harold A. & Marie		3,865.00
Burt, William R.		4,950.00
Callanan, Charles I. & Valida A.	50.00	1,300.00
Carpenter, Mary L.		2,930.00
Carlson, John R.	1,100.00	4,435.00
Carroll, Fred W.	4,150.00	
Carroll, Fred W. & Louise		4,450.00
Carroll, Fred W. & Louise		3,900.00
Cavanough, Edward J. & Ruth L.	200.00	6,610.00
Cetto, Enrico, Est.		3,145.00
Charlemont Plantation, Inc.		4,415.00
Churchill, Avis M.		2,900.00

	Personal	*Real*
Churchill, Merritt H.		100.00
Clark, Edwin R.	30.00	
Clark, Francis J., Lawrence A. & Horace T.		4,510.00
Clark, Horace T.		6,160.00
Clark, Inez T.		6,285.00
Clark, Lawrence A.		4,500.00
Coates, Allen M. & Sylvia B.		625.00
Connelly, Edgar A. & Julia V.	100.00	1,440.00
Connolly, Joseph P.	100.00	2,090.00
Cowls, W. D., Inc.		688.00
Cronk, Paul B.	60.00	
Cronk, Paul B. & Irene		1,325.00
Dally, Aristides K.	1,150.00	22,865.00
Davenport, Carlton P.		80.00
Davenport, Carlton P.		1,000.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		7,405.00
Davenport, James P.		375.00
Davenport, Louis A. & Ellen A.		3,370.00
Davenport, William A.		400.00
Dean, Fred E. & Blanche Y.		2,800.00
Dean, Fred E. & Blanche Y.		50.00
Dean, Russell F.	20.00	
Dean, Russell & Irene		2,285.00
DeBenedetto, Salvatore & Marion	50.00	500.00
Dickinson, Alice G.	60.00	3,150.00
Dickinson, Edgar G.	25.00	
Dickinson, Edgar C. & Ruth A.		2,285.00
Dickinson, Richard R.		250.00
Dickinson, Richard R. & Ethel May		3,370.00
Dimick, George H. & Ella Joyce		3,625.00
Dimick, John H.		2,375.00
Dimick, John H.		2,450.00
Dion, Jennie M. & William H.	100.00	1,100.00
Dostie, Roland	1,250.00	
Dunlop, Leslie R. & Marion C.	730.00	1,740.00
Dyer, George B. & Janet E.		2,345.00
Earle, Ralph		940.00
Elliott, William S.		600.00
Ellsworth, Bernice S.		2,790.00
Ellswortg, Horace E.	1,400.00	160.00
Ellsworth, Horace E. & Bernice S.		3,710.00
Falandes, Maximilian	30.00	
Faiandes, Maximilian & Katherine		6,335.00
Feder, Sydney J. & Ethel		4,445.00
Fisk, Emma W.		5,030.00
Fitzroy, Alton P. Jr. & Lois M.		4,120.00
Foley, Joseph M.		7,090.00

	Personal	*Real*
Foliated Talc Company		200.00
Formosi, Diomede	195.00	
Formosi, Mrs. Ellen Ellery		2,700.00
Forsberg, Harold S.		6,050.00
Fox, George M. & Helen D.	100.00	2,950.00
Fox, George M. & Helen D.		110.00
Frame, Ralph I. & Nellie E.	50.00	480.00
Freiberg, Sarah	200.00	
Freiberg, Sarah & Edward		5,750.00
Fusco, William et al	50.00	1,000.00
Galvin, Leon R. & Doris M.		2,460.00
Gibson, Herbert D. & Constance D.	200.00	3,150.00
Gibson, Kemp C. & Bernice M.	150.00	1,500.00
Giffin, Harry F., Jr.	40.00	3,840.00
Giffin, Newell S. & Gail I.		2,300.00
Gilbert, Fred J. & Marjorie E.		4,210.00
Gilbert, George J. & Aldea M.		3,720.00
Gilbert, Mabel H. & Charlie J.	30.00	4,545.00
Gleason, Francis		455.00
Goddard, S. Stuart	1,150.00	
Goddard, S. Stuart & Anne E.		10,610.00
Godzina, Joseph & Wanda M.		12,540.00
Goodnow, Lewis W. & Florence L.	50.00	2,365.00
Goodwin, Charles W. & Katherine		4,750.00
Gorman, Roy S.		3,295.00
Gould, Albert L. & Dorothy M.		8,585.00
Gould, Grace C.		5,315.00
Gould, Syril G.	$ 2,850.00	$
Gould, Syril G. & Hazel M.		8,770.00
Gray, Charlotte et al	75.00	700.00
Gribbin, George H.	360.00	
Gribbin, George H. & Barbara		3,605.00
Grover, Albina A.		4,520.00
Hallahan, William E.	2,000.00	7,095.00
Halligan, Burdette J. & Mable D.		3,405.00
Hamilton, Evelyn C.		3,380.00
Hamilton, Evelyn C.		1,000.00
Harmon, James B.		2,225.00
Harris, Edward R., Jr.	30.00	
Harris, Edward R., Jr. & Elizabeth M.		6,360.00
Harris, Ethel M.		630.00
Harris, Ethel M. & Alfred E.		4,680.00
Harris, Herbert R.	20.00	1,820.00
Harris, Herman F.	1,480.00	835.00
Harris, Herman F. & Esther G.		3,495.00
Hartwell, Kenneth	100.00	
Hartwell, Kenneth W. & Alice E.		4,700.00
Harwood, Clarence B.		3,195.00

	Personal	Real
Hawkes, Norman W.	100.00	
Hawkes, Norman W. & Ruth S.		4,780.00
Hawthorne, Donald, Trus. Crowle Mt. Club	50.00	500.00
Healy, Allen		160.00
Healy, John J.		31,350.00
Healy, Winston	340.00	7,610.00
Heist, Claude W.	20.00	2,595.00
Heist, Paul E. & Phyllis L.	20.00	1,920.00
Heist, Paul E. & Phyllis L.		370.00
Henderson, Kenneth W.	500.00	
Henderson, Kenneth W. & Charlotte W.		4,410.00
Henderson, Walter A. & Lenabel H.		3,850.00
Henning, Kenneth E. & Ruth L.		100.00
Hicks, Ray C.	185.00	9,815.00
Hicks, Roy A. & Ethel M.		3,785.00
Hicks, Walter W. & Beverly J.		160.00
Hogeman, Mrs. Hazel M.		3,265.00
Howes, Earle K. & Leora M.		4,600.00
Hunkler, Harley D.		3,530.00
Hunkler, Lawrence		3,330.00
Hunkler, Mrs. Rosa		2,130.00
Hunt, Blanche L.		3,365.00
Hyytinen, Reino A. & Virginia B.		1,160.00
Hyytinen, Reino A. & Virginia B.		100.00
Hyytinen, Reino A. & Virginia B.		2,800.00
Jackman, Robert H. & Jane M.		4,175.00
Johnson, Marshall A. & Rebecca P.		8,160.00
Kendrick, Stanton	230.00	
Kendrick, Stanton C. et al		8,435.00
Kendrick, Stanton C. et. al		620.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.	4,800.00	23,970.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.		5,030.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.		600.00
Kenyon, Alfred R. & Dorothy		3,410.00
Kilgore, Harold S. & Ruth I.		5,670.00
King, Grace T.		3,040.00
King, Grace T.		2,115.00
King, Robert J. & Geneva A.	$	$ 3,970.00
Kirchleckner, Frank		1,010.00
Kolnacki, Joseph S.	100.00	6,025.00
Koonchaug, Building Assoc.		1,500.00
Koncal, William C.		2,430.00
Krehbiel, Ernest & Margaret E.	50.00	1,860.00
Kunz, Douglas W. & Marie	50.00	2,430.00
Ladd, Charles R. & Judith A.		1,010.00
LaMountain, Ernest L. & Patricia L.		2,850.00
Lamore, Alvin H.	150.00	
Langevin, Harold J. & Beda A.		4,425.00

	Personal	Real
Langevin, Harold J. & Beda A.		100.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose	1,200.00	12,260.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		3,000.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,200.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,310.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,150.00
Laramee, Lawrence L. & Eugenia B.	100.00	3,335.00
Lee, Frank H.	150.00	3,955.00
Lees, Minnie		1,000.00
Legate, Annie S.		450.00
Legate, Harry F.		3,930.00
Legate, Harry F.		580.00
Liese, Cyrus, Jr.	470.00	
Liese, Cyrus, Jr. & Elaine S.		5,170.00
Lilly, Sarah		1,210.00
Lively, Cleophas	20.00	
Lively, Cleophas & Ellen		2,790.00
Lively, Clovis	80.00	
Lively, Clovis N. & Celena J.		3,900.00
Lively, Elise & Trudel, William S.		2,460.00
Longley, Lawrence A. & Julia M.		1,500.00
Longridge Co., Inc.		1,000.00
Lowensberg, William A.	530.00	
Lyman, Geraldine H.		5,190.00
Lyman, Joan M. G.		6,085.00
Mac Lean, Harold W. & Mildred F.		3,005.00
MacLean, Wallace Sterling & Leona Ada.		50.00
Magnant, Lester F. & Lauraine		3,115.00
Malcolm, David J. & Mary S.		5,340.00
Manchester, Arthur W. & Mary C.	75.00	1,130.00
Mann, T. S. Lumber Co.		1,950.00
Martin, Carol		585.00
Martin, Edward H. & Ruby T.		3,250.00
Massoth, William & Victoria L.	300.00	6,630.00
Massoth, William & Victoria L.		5,000.00
Mathukatis, John & Stephania		3,795.00
Maynard, Albert E. & Eleanor R.		3,560.00
Maynard, Earl O. Est.		2,040.00
Maynard, Earl O. Est.		150.00
Maynard, John W. & Beverly L.		2,440.00
McCloud, Everett B. & Marion		3,890.00
McGowan, Arthur V.	1,000.00	22,850.00
McHaffie, John W.		2,360.00
McKane, Edward P. & Helen		4,600.00
McKinstry, Roger E.	1,100.00	
McKinstry, Roger E. & Doris		11,355.00
Miller, Arthur L. & Clark, Francis J.		390.00
Miller, Gertrude	100.00	1,345.00
Miller, Helen	1,800.00	3,995.00

	Personal	Real
Moriarty, John M.	$ 500.00	$ 2,620.00
Montagna, John A., Trustee Camp Comprestre		300.00
Muller, Peter J.		7,285.00
Murphy, Margaret		400.00
Murray, Harry E. & Isabelle	100.00	700.00
New England Power Co.	7,240.00	72,900.00
New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.	37,700.00	2,250.00
Newell, Ralph F.		3,005.00
Nilman, Carl H.		6,700.00
Noga, Henry E. & Nina E.		4,065.00
Norcross, Ora Marie		6,770.00
Norman, Joseph W. & Cordelia M.	100.00	700.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.	41,000.00	
Padula, Violet		600.00
Palmer, Paul W. & Clarinda A.		3,280.00
Pappas, Stanford	1,300.00	
Pappas, Stanford C. & Elizabeth		5,500.00
Parker, Floyd A. & Lurena M.		3,355.00
Parker, James L. & Ruby Lenora		5,925.00
Patterson, George	250.00	
Pecor, Harmon G.	500.00	
Pierson, William D.	685.00	16,030.00
Pike, Sherman T. & Elizabeth G.	600.00	13,545.00
Plantation House, Inc.	270.00	7,880.00
Pleshaw, Beatrice L.		1,970.00
Pleshaw, Gervin D. & Gladys		4,300.00
Porrovecchio, Carl James		2,815.00
Potter, W. N. Grain Stores, Inc.		11,120.00
Powers, Charles E.		1,200.00
Pratt, Robert J. & Mayabelle M.		3,050.00
Pratt, Clement C.		550.00
Pratt, Gordon M.	20.00	
Pratt, Gordon M. & Esther E.		1,800.00
Purinton, Albert T.	280.00	
Purinton, Albert T. & Veda E.		3,930.00
Purinton, Harry L.	500.00	
Purinton, Harry L. & Thelma G.		1,645.00
Purinton, Albert T. & Veda E.		220.00
Purinton, Raymond A.		6,110.00
Purrington, Gordon		600.00
Quillinan, Clayton F. & Ralph L.		1,415.00
Raymond, Donald W. & Katherine E.	115.00	4,070.00
Raymond, Gerald T. & Bessie P.		2,300.00
Redard, John	50.00	
Redard, John & Phyllis Ridge		3,885.00
Reed, Claude E. & Bonnalyn E.		420.00
Reed, Claude E. & Bonnalyn E.		1,460.00

	Personal	Real
Rice, Aubrey L.	2,430.00	
Rice, Aubrey L. & Amelia A.		4,400.00
Rice, Kenneth	30.00	
Rice, Kenneth R. & Marie M.		1,215.00
Rich, Lumber Co., Inc.		1,000.00
Richmond, Earl L. & Hazel N.	40.00	6,330.00
Rickert, Frank J. & Margaret M.		4,110.00
Ringchrist, George & Edna May		3,640.00
Rivers, Mrs. Rena M.	30.00	5,535.00
Robinson, Thurman & Clara T.		1,500.00
Dennis Rowe Lumber Co.	$ 8,000.00	$
Rowe Lumber Co.		370.00
Rubenstein, Frances D.	75.00	2,245.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,675.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,775.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,710.00
Sandri, Arcillo		3,000.00
Schaefer, Paul E. & Sophia		390.00
Schechterle, William G. & Gertrude D.	200.00	3,750.00
Schultz, Harold J.		160.00
Sears, John H.	40.00	
Sears, Mabel V.		4,825.00
Shafer, Oella		2,695.00
Shaw, Harry P. & Mary	20.00	3,400.00
Shaw, Lincoln		1,740.00
Shelburne Falls Savings Bank		5,860.00
Sherman, Cecil		670.00
Sherman, Elmer		315.00
Sherman, Floyd	40.00	585.00
Sherman, James M., Jr.		525.00
Sherman, Lena M.		745.00
Shields, Edward D. & Gertrude I	60.00	4,045.00
Shukis, Dominic S., Jr.	2,030.00	
Shukis, Dominic S., Jr. & Stella B.		7,740.00
Shukis, Dominic S., Jr. & Stella B.		1,280.00
Shumway, Harold & Gladys T.		3,415.00
Simmons, Mary	2.000,00	11,600.00
Slaunwhite, Stewart E.		3,570.00
Smith, Frederick A. & Margaret E.		4,120.00
Smith, H. Parker	120.00	
Smith, H. Parker & Beth T.		3,350.00
Smith, J. Roger	790.00	
Smith, J. Roger & Wissman, Dorothy S. & Smith, Philip R. & Martin, Carroll G.		3,290.00
Spear, Elbert F. & Winifred E.		5,940.00
Spofford Motors, Inc.	150.00	2,325.00
Stacy, Helen B.		300.00

	Personal	*Real*
Stafford, Edward R. & Margaret L.		2,050.00
Stafford, William P. & Grace M.		4,185.00
Stidhams, Green B. & Helen A.	75.00	1,100.00
Stafford, Russell M.	30.00	
Streeter, Charles E. & Marjorie T.	260.00	7,075.00
Swehla, Louis F. & Dorothy C.	50.00	1,615.00
Tanner, Donald H. & Lois E.		1,960.00
Tanner, Richard & Homer		5,235.00
Taylor, Archie F.	70.00	3,480.00
Taylor, Theron S., Jr. & Virginia J.		6,000.00
Temple, John B.		545.00
Thompson, Mrs. Jane		3,040.00
Thunder Mt. Ski Assoc.	1,000.00	
Tilley, Wilson L. & Priscilla E.		5,275.00
Tinney, Floyd O.		1,270.00
Tinney, Lawrence S.	40.00	1,120.00
Tinney, Lawrence Jr.	50.00	
Tower, Mabel A.		5,205.00
Trinity Church		750.00
Trudell, William	20.00	
Trustees, Congregational Society		715.00
Trustee, I. O. O. F.		4,350.00
Trustee, Leavitt Cemetery	$	$ 600.00
Turner, Dora E. & Leon H.		3,750.00
Turner, Dora E. & Leon H.		1,910.00
Turner, Christine M.		9,245.00
Turner, Leon H.	2,600.00	
Turner, William C.		2,400.00
VanNostrand, Lawrence H.		4,910.00
Veber, Laura M. & Leon H.	50.00	1,625.00
Vincent, Leslie	115.00	3,750.00
Wagner, Gloria J.		4,445.00
Wagner, Joseph A. & Gloria J.	110.00	4,730.00
Wakefield, William H. & Bessie M.		1,680.00
Ware, Alice F.		2,000.00
Warfield, Horace E. & Agnes Y.	525.00	13,605.00
Warner, Mary E.		3,625.00
Wells, Frank J.	5,500.00	15,350.00
Wescott, Clarence E. & Mona R.	100.00	4,700.00
West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co., Inc.		1,100.00
Western Union Tel. Co.	2,400.00	
Westfield Box & Lumber Co.		4,100.00
Wheeler, Daniel G.	150.00	5,595.00
Whipple, Olin E.		800.00
Whipple, Olin E. & Ruth McFall		5,005.00
Whitaker, Ernest W. & Tillie	150.00	2,680.00
White, Harold T.	1,150.00	150.00
Wilbur, Stephen C.		2,130.00

	Personal	*Real*
Willard, James R. & Ruth E.		8,340.00
Willey, Belle	300.00	
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		4,450.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		4,025.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		5,175.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		2,710.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		2,350.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		1,180.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		2,935.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		675.00
Willis, Roger	50.00	
Willis, Roger W. & Marjorie A.		8,685.00
Wilson, Elizabeth A.	100.00	1,880.00
Wilson, J. Gilbert Jr. & Hazel D.		3,890.00
Wilson, Raymond W. & Mildred C.	20.00	4,295.00
Wirthmore Stores, Inc.	350.00	

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

In accordance with the Town's instructions, the list of taxable property as of Jan. 1, 1959 forms a part of our report this year.We have also included a reproduction of our work sheets which show the amount of money required to be raised by the Town, the estimated sources of that revenue and the computations which determined the tax rate for 1959.

The most important part of our report, however, consists of the following discussion of policy which the Board intends to put into effect on Jan. 1, 1961. This policy involves a complete revaluation of property at fair cash value. Since the last official revaluation, in 1948, property has been assessed at approximately 40% of full value. If existing assessments were entirely correct, the new policy would have the effect of increasing the Town's total valuation 2½ times, with a corresponding decrease in the tax rate. It is, however, obvious that some assessments will not increase in the full proportion and some will increase more, but there is bound to be a substantial increase in valuations and a lowering of the rate.

Our reasons for adopting this policy are based on the considerations which follow.

1. Fair cash valuations are required by law, and the Assessors are under oath to obey the law. Although nearly all Massachusetts assessors have violated the law in this respect over a long period of time, there is considerable evidence indicating that violation will not be tolerated much longer. Furthermore, the law as it exists is sound, and there is nothing to be gained by refusing to adhere to it.

2. Adoption of this policy will, ipso facto, require a townwide revaluation. When properly done, revaluations result in equalization of taxes, the highest aim of assessing. Although the Board attempts to carry on a constant revaluation from year to year, it is necessarily confined to a small number of properties. Thorough revaluation requires a consideration of each parcel of property in relation to **all** other property. It is time for a thorough revaluation because, since the outside revaluation in 1948 there has been a tremendous change in economic conditions and property values, and to stand pat on a 12 year old base will only prolong inequities.

3. The existing policy of fractional assessments results in providing an excessive and illegal advantage to property owners who are entitled to certain exemptions from taxation. For example, a property owner who is entitled by law to an exemption on $2000 of property value is actually, under the 40% of value policy now in effect in Charlemont, receiving an exemption on $5000 of property value. Cash value assessing will insure that exemptions will be limited to the amount provided by law.

4. It is our feeling that full value assessments will tend to minimize the effect of errors in valuation. For example, a $500 error in

valuing a property actually worth $5000 is a 10% error at full value, but is a 20% error at 50% of full value.

5. We believe that fair cash value offers a more comprehensible basis for comparing property valuations. Market price, by no means the only factor in assessing, is nevertheless a rough indication of cash value and reflects it more directly than does a fractional valuation. Furthermore, the Assessors must necessarily determine full value in the process of assessing, and there is no apparent advantage in then reducing it by some fraction.

6. As far as we have been able to discover, there are no advantages to fractional valuations other than the dubious one that it is something to which people have become accustomed and that they will be upset by a change. Authorities on Massachusetts taxation are unanimously agreed on fair cash valuations. The argument that there is merit in maintaining low valuations with the consequent high tax rate seems to us completely spurious.

7. It is expected that the proposed project will not involve great expense. State consultation, involving a small fee, may be advisable and there may be some stenographic expense. In general however, the Board intends to do the job itself. On the subject of expense, it should be pointed out that the Town is badly in need of an adequate tax map. Such a map would show in detail each parcel of property and its boundaries, that information having been obtained from aerial photographs and land surveys. Although we do not yet feel justified in asking the Town to approve such an undertaking, the cost of which would be substanital, there is no question that until we have a good map it will be impossible to establish a truly equitable tax structure.

We urge townspeople to let us have their views on the proposal outlined above, as well as any other matters concerning our office, particularly those relating to their own property. The proposed revaluation will involve a great deal of work which we intend to do to the best of our ability. It is our hope that the values we come up with will not only be fair, but will also be satisfactory to the taxpayers. With your help we do not believe that this is too much to hope for.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman W. Hawkes

Donald W. Raymond

Winston Healy

Assessors

ASSESSORS WORK SHEET 1959

Total appropriations as certified by the Town Clerk to be raised by taxation		$ 152,963.36	
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds		23,302.69	
State Assessments			
State parks and reservations		498.60	
State audit of municipal accounts		906.15	
County Assessments			
County tax		6,053.53	
1958 Underestimate county tax		240.00	
Overlay of current year		3,617.25	
Gross amount to be raised			$ 187,581.68
Estimated receipts and available funds:			
Income tax		17,632.27	
Corporation taxes		3,472.83	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land		1,075.78	
Old age tax		797.05	
Motor vehicle and trailer excise		9,000.00	
Licenses		2,600.00	
Fines		25.00	
General government		500.00	
Protection of persons and property		100.00	
Charities (other than Federal grants)		1,500.00	
Old age assistance (other than Federal grants)		14,500.00	
Veterans services		700.00	
School		11,800.00	
Interest on taxes		300.00	
Farm animal excise		300.00	
Motor coach park fees		175.00	
State parks and reservations (over-estimate of previous year to be used as available funds)		5.36	
Amount voted to be taken from available funds		23,302.69	
Total estimated receipts and available funds			$ 87,785.98
Net amount to be raised by taxation on polls and property			99,795.70
Total valuation			
241 Polls at $2.00		$ 482.00	
Personal property	179,180.00	11,288.34	
Real estate	1,397,228.00	88,025.36	
Tax Rate $63			$ 99,795.70

EXCERPTS FROM THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

FEBRUARY 2, 1959

Article 2. Voted to raise the following appropriations:

Snow, Road & Bridges	$ 7,000.00
Highway Department Vacations	400.00
Public Assistance	25,000.00
Veterans Benefits	5,000.00
Welfare District Administration	420.00
Veterans District Administration	409.50
Board of Health	300.00
Town Dump	150.00
W. Franklin Public Health District	1,840.00
Bonding Town Officers	250.00
Insurance	2,100.00
Franklin County Retirement	929.96
East Charlemont School	50.00
Mohawk Trail Regional School	941.60
Hawlemont Regional School	55,635.12
Charlemont High School ($30,155 from local taxes and $10,000. from available funds)	40,155.00
Police Department	300.00
Fire Department	2,300.00
Street Lights	1,170.00
Town Hall	1,700.00
Miscellaneous	1,900.00
Interest	300.00
Fairground Maintenance	100.00
Gypsy Moth & Dutch Elm	300.00
Civilian Defense	25.00
Christmas Fund	100.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Old Cemeteries	35.00
Legion Rooms	240.00
Library	500.00
Reserve Fund	2,000.00

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts with the State Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of public highways under Chapters 81 and 90 of the General Laws.

Article 4. Voted to raise $2,530.00 for Chapter 81 highway construction and maintenance.

Article 5. Voted to raise $697.31 and transfer from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956 $2,302.69, making a total of $3,000.00 to be used to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 construction on South River Road.

Article 6. Voted to raise $3,000.00 for Chapter 90 Highway maintenance.

Article 7. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $5,500.00 for 1959 machinery maintenance account, including purchase of new equipment.

Article 8. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $2,500.00 to the 1959 account for the purchase of a new sander body.

Article 9. Voted to raise $500.00 to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, on the preparation of a town history.

Article 10. Voted to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to survey the wages of town employees and report its findings to the Selectmen. Committee appointed: Frank J. Wells, Harry Purinton, and Charles Streeter.

Article 11. Voted to raise $4,200.00 for the payment of the following annual salaries, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1959, together with such clerical help as the Selectmen may authorize:

Selectmen	each...	$ 300.00
Clerk		450.00
Treasurer		750.00
Tax Collector		600.00
Two Assessors	each...	250.00
Clerk Assessor		350.00
Sealer		75.00
Inspector of Animals		75.00
Fire Chief		100.00
Dog Officer		15.00
Moderator		10.00

Article 12. Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to allow persons engaged in business in the Town of Charlemont to erect and maintain not more than two signs on sites away from their place of business in accordance with regulations of the Outdoor Advertising Authority and the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13. Voted to raise $114.87 to cover an overdraft in the 1958 Chapter 81 account.

Article 14. Voted to raise $500.00 for the improvement of the Fairgrounds (Memorial Park) to be expended under the direction or supervision of the Park Commissioners. Any unexpended balance to be carried over to the same account next year.

Article 16. Voted that the Town remain in the Mohawk Trail Regional School District consisting of Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Hawley, Heath and Shelburne.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

AUGUST 19, 1959

Article 1. Voted to accept as a public way and as a Town way the relocation of part of West Oxbow Road as laid out by the Selectmen and shown on a plan thereof filed with the Town Clerk on August 11, 1959, and authorize any taking by eminent domain or otherwise of said land or rights therein within the bounds of said layout, and to appropriate from available funds in the treasury $1.00 therefor.

Article 2. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $1,500.00 to the 1959 Machinery maintenance account, to include the purchase of new equipment.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

NOVEMBER 3, 1959

Article 1. Voted NOT to accept the provisions of an act passed by General Court in 1948, providing for the establishment of a regional school district by the city of North Adams and the towns of Adams, Williamstown, Clarksburg, Florida, Savoy, Monroe, Heath and Charlemont or by said city and such two or more of said towns as may accept the proposed agreement filed with the city council of said city and the Selectmen of said towns and further providing for the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of such agreement.

Article 2. Voted to raise $24.00 from funds in the treasury to pay Charlemont's share of the expense of publishing and distributing the brochure of the Northern Berkshire Regional Vocational School Planning Board.

Article 3. Motion was made to extend the benefits of the Massachusetts Workmen's Compensation Act to all employees of the Town excepting members of the police force and fire force and appropriate $40.00 from funds in the treasury to pay the required additional insurance premium for coverage of employees in addition to laborers, workmen, and mechanics as now covered.

After a short discussion by the voters present, a second motion was made and voted to lay the first motion on the table until the annual Town Meeting in February.

Article 4. Voted to discontinue and abandon that portion of West Oxbow Road as it existed before the relocation duly accepted by the Town on August 19, 1959, lying westerly and southerly of the westerly line of said relocation and to authorize the

Selectmen on behalf of the Town, in consideration of releases of any and all claims for damages resulting from said relocation, discontinuance, and abandonment to execute and deliver to Horace T. Clark and to Helen M. and Arthur L. Miller in any mutually acceptable division any interest of the Town in the land lying within the limits of said discontinued and abandoned portion, including the easterly apprroach thereto from the Mohawk Trail, so called.

Town Meeting Warrant

February 1, 1960

The polls will be open from 11:30 A.M. to 7:30 P.M. for the election of the following town officers: Clerk, Treasurer, Selectman, Assessor, School Committeeman, Tax Collector, Moderator, Library Trustee, Auditor, Tree Warden, Park Commissioner, Three Constables, and member Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee. The position of Mowhawk Trail School Committee member will be filled by write-in, as no one filed nomination papers for this position.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the meeting will be convened for action on the articles of the warrant. The tentative budget approved by the Finance Committee is as follows:

Snow, Road & Bridges	$ 7,800.00
Chapter 81	2,350.00
Chapter 90 Construction	4,500.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00
Highway Vacations	365.00
Machinery	6,000.00
Public Assistance	25,000.00
Welfare District Administration	664.00
Veterans Benefits	4,000.00
Veterans District Administration	427.00
Board of Health	300.00
Health District	1,800.00
Town Dump	175.00
Bonding Town Officers	210.00
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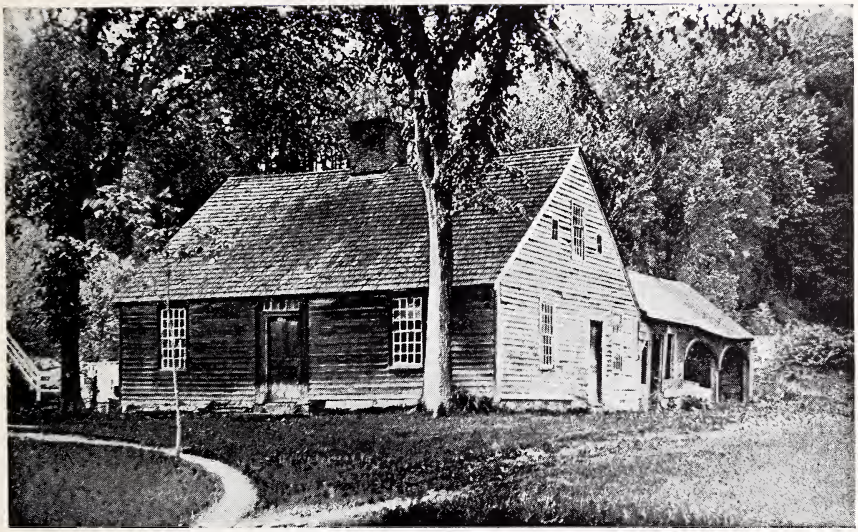
Insurance	2,000.00
Retirement System	844.53
Hawlemont School	57,657.81
High School	46,722.85
East Charlemont	75.00
Police Department	300.00
Fire Department	2,300.00
Street Lights	1,625.04
Town Hall	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	1,900.00
Interest	520.00
Officers Salaries	4,450.00
Fairgrounds	100.00

Mr John Maynard

REPORT



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ANNUAL REPORT

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Massachusetts

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1960

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ADAMS, MASS.

Town Calendar

1961

Jan. 17	Last Registration of Voters before Town Meeting
Feb. 6	Town Meeting
Mar. 30	Last day for filing Seasonal Liquor Licenses
Mar. 31	Dog License - Expiration date
Apr. 2	Easter
May 30	Memorial Day
June 16	Elementary School closes
June 23	High School closes
July 4	Independence Day
Sept. 4	Labor Day
Sept. 6	School opens
Oct. 31	Last day for payment of Town Taxes without penalty
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving
Nov. 30	Last day for filing Liquor License renewals
Dec. 25	Christmas Day

1962

Jan. 1	Last day for filing Nomination Papers for Election of Town Officers
Jan. 16	Last day for registration before Town Meeting
Feb. 5	Town Meeting

U. S. SENATORS

John F. Kennedy, Boston

Leverett Saltonstall, Dover

U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1

Sylvio O. Conte, Pittsfield

STATE SENATOR

Ralph C. Mahar, Orange

REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT 1

Philip F. Whitmore, Sunderland

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Harry F. Koch, Chairman, Shelburne

Frank H. Reed, Greenfield

Delbert A. Witty, Orange

Town Officers

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

William D. Pierson, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Sherman T. Pike, Clerk	Term expires 1961
Norman W. Hawkes	Term expires 1962

TOWN CLERK

Mary L. Carpenter

TOWN TREASURER

Beda A. Langevin

TAX COLLECTOR

Raymond C. Willis

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Norman W. Hawkes, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Donald Raymond (resigned)	Term expires 1961
Daniel Wheeler (appointed)	
Winston Healy	Term expires 1962

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Emma B. Vincent, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Gerald Raymond	Term expires 1961
Katherine Falandes	Term expires 1962

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Gerald Raymond, Chairman — Ann E. Doyle, Treasurer

Gertrude Ogden, Secretary

Helen Stiles — Emma B. Vincent

Katherine Falandes — Clayburn Rich

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Charles E. Streeter — Gerald Raymond

Harry L. Purinton, Advisor

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Wilson L. Tilley

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL CUSTODIAN
Charles Purinton

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL CUSTODIAN
William C. Turner

TRUSTEES FOR THE EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Lawrence A. Clark, Chairman	Term expires 1963
Mabel V. Sears, Secretary	Term expires 1960
Stanton C. Kendrick	Term expires 1964
Emma Fisk	Term expires 1961
Herbert Smith	Term expires 1962

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Sherman T. Pike, Chairman — William D. Pierson
Norman W. Hawkes — Phyllis L. Heist, Director

BOARD OF HEALTH

William D. Pierson, Chairman — Norman W. Hawkes
Sherman T. Pike

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Stanton C. Kendrick, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Blanche L. Hunt, Secretary	Term expires 1962
Elsie C. Bissland	Term expires 1961

Pearle Tanner, Librarian

PARK COMMISSION

Charles L. Purinton, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Harry F. Legate	Term expires 1960
Avis M. Churchill	Term expires 1961

FINANCE COMMITTEE

D. A. Lanoue, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Leslie Vincent	Term expires 1961
Ann E. Doyle	Term expires 1962

AUDITOR
Raymond Purinton

TREE WARDEN
Roy Breen

CONSTABLES
Paul W. Palmer
William Schecterle
Charles Purinton

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Frank J. Wells

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
Stanton C. Kendrick

CLERK TO TOWN OFFICERS
Beda A. Langevin

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
Dorothy Morehouse, R. N.

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE
Philip DiBenedetto

SUPERINTENDENT, GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL
Roy A. Hicks

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS
Roger E. McKinstry

INSPECTOR OF WIRES
D. A. Lanoue

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
Roy A. Hicks

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING
Roy A. Hicks
Wilbur L. Burnett

FENCE VIEWERS
Marshall A. Johnson
Theron S. Taylor, Sr.

FIELD DRIVERS AND POUND KEEPERS
Marshall A. Johnson
Theron S. Taylor, Sr.

WEIGHERS
Harry F. Hawkes
Theron S. Taylor, Jr.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
William C. Turner
Herman F. Harris

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
William C. Turner
Herman F. Harris
Olin Whipple
Aubrey L. Rice
Charles W. Goodwin

CHIEF OF POLICE
Cyrus C. Annear, Sr.

DOG OFFICER
Lawrence S. Tinney

VETERANS' AGENT
Robert E. Scott

BURIAL AGENTS
Lawrence S. Tinney
Robert E. Scott

CUSTODIAN TOWN HALL
Lawrence S. Tinney

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS
Paul E. Heist

SPECIAL POLICE

Lincoln Shaw
Lawrence Tinney
Norman W. Hawkes
Paul E. Heist
Edward Stafford
Wilson L. Tilley
Robert H. Jackman
Harold Shumway
Cyrus C. Annear, Jr.
Robert Rice

BOARD OF REGISTRARS
Eva Porrovecchio, Chairman

Kenneth Henderson
Philip DiBenedetto

Jury List

Mabel V. Sears, retired school teacher

Robert J. King, owner, awning and upholstering business

S. Stuart Goddard, owner, Antique Auto Museum

Maximilian P. Falandes, State Department of Public Works, Greenfield

Winston Healy, farmer

Lawrence S. Tinney, Sr., Town Hall custodian

Norman W. Hawkes, Department of Public Works

Beda A. Langevin, insurance agent

Mildred Wilson, housewife

William Schecterle, Department of Public Works

Harold T. Shumway, surveyor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Blanche L. Hunt, housewife

Gervin D. Pleshaw, machinest

Selectmen's Report

A large group of friends and admirers of Mrs. Mary L. Carpenter met together in November, at a dinner party organized by the Selectmen, to honor Mrs. Carpenter on the occasion of her eightieth birthday. Mrs. Carpenter, known as "May" to those who have known her longest, has served us all well as Town Clerk, Registrar, Treasurer, School Teacher, and Advisor and any words of tribute we might add here would only be superflous to those who know her.

The Selectmen certified on February 2, 1960 that there were 466 registered votres in Charlemont.

We read in the "Recorder" of surveys made in this area by the Kaiser Engineering Center, Merritt, Chapman and Scott Engineering Company and the Atomic Energy Commission to determine possible location, wages, etc. for new industries. We promptly wrote to all three and pointed out the advantagees to be found in Charlemont.

The "Free cash in the treasury" as of January 1, 1960 was $20,884.17. We do not yet have the "Free Cash" figure for January 1, 1961.

The "Tyler House" still remains as town property although several persons expressed an interest in it this past year.

We have purchased several maps of different sizes from the Department of Commerce and they are helpful to the Assessors and the Selectmen.

The Mohawk Regional High School planning committee has recommended the termination of the District. It is indeed a sad end for a project so worthy of success. We hope a new approach will soon be made and that the six towns will be able to consolidate their assets to support a high school of adequate size with all the necessary facilities.

The Selectmen were relieved of their duties as Registrars of Voters by a new state law in 1960 and a new board was appointed in May. The first official action of the new Board of Registrars was the recount of the Presidential Primaries ballots on May 6th, to determine the Republican Town Com-

mittee. The Registrars were assisted by the Town Counsel in making their decisions. Election officers to work with the Registrars were appointed in August.

The Charlemont Town Report for 1959 received an award for excellance in its class from the State Selectmen's Association.

One of the properties posted in 1959 as "unfit for human habitation" has been improved and has been removed from that list.

The Board of Selectmen met with the Board of Assessors in September and Daniel G. Wheeler was appointed to the Board of Assessors to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Donald W. Raymond who has moved from town.

The problem of flooding at the Earl Barrett property caused by beaver dams has been alleviated by the cooperation of the neighbors and Mr. Moran of the Department of Conservation. We admire the ambition and the work of the beaver but he is sometimes a problem to civilization.

It became necessary in 1960 to purchase a new check writer for the treasurer. The old machine, in use for many years, had become completely worn out.

We have visited and checked the boundaries of Charlemont with the Selectmen of adjoining towns as required every five years by law.

The Tax Collector, Assessors, Registrars and Selectmen have found it helpful to consult our Town Counsel on several occasions this past year.

This year we are trying to place the salt and sand purchases on a bid basis to try and give all suppliers a fair chance to bid and also try and save money for the town.

We received again in 1960 a special state grant of $2500.00 to help with snow and ice control on the Zoar Road during the Yankee Atomic Plant construction period. We have no hope for such aid in 1961.

A new chain saw was purchased in February for the Highway Department, cost $261.00. The old saw has been repaired and is to be used in some cases to save the new saw.

Our Chapter 90 construction funds ($18,000.) were again spent on the South River Road. Two extra men were hired as temporary help on this job during the summer.

The care of the Town Dump has been transferred to the Highway Department and we believe it has worked out very well.

The Highway Department has this year for the first time enjoyed two weeks paid vacation in accordance with the vote of the annual town meeting. Also, in order to remain in line with wages paid in nearby towns, wages of the Highway Department were increased by ten cents per hour, effective April 11, 1960.

There were three special town meetings in 1960 and reports of the action taken are printed later in this book.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM D. PIERSON
SHERMAN T. PIKE
NORMAN W. HAWKES
Board of Selectmen

Annual Report of the School Committee

PERSONNEL

Emma B. Vincent, Chairman	Term expires 1961
Katherine Falandes, Secretary	Term expires 1963
Gerald T. Raymond	Term expires 1962
Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term

Opens January 3, 1961 — Closes February 17, 1961

Second Winter Term

Opens February 27, 1961 — Closes April 14, 1961

Spring Term

Opens April 24, 1961 — (Elem.) Closes June 16, 1961
(High) Closes June 23, 1961

Fall Term — Opens September 6, 1961

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday	March 31, 1961
Memorial Day	May 29 - 30, 1961
Columbus Day	October 12 - 13, 1961
Teachers' Convention (Tentative)	October 18, 1961
Teachers' Visiting Day (Tentative)	October 25, 1961
Thanksgiving Day	Closes noon November 22, 1961
Christmas Holidays	Closes December 22, 1961

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my fifth annual report.

Unfortunately there has been little or no progress toward new secondary facilities as of this writing. It is hoped that some positive progress may result in the months ahead. This long overdue project deserves the attention and support of all citizens.

Major repairs in the High School have included new light fixtures in two more classrooms, removal of fragments of flue lining from the chimney, and installing a new drain from the artesian well pump house.

New members of the High School faculty are Mr. Robert Nichols who replaced Mrs. Dorothy Adams in the language department, and Mr. Romeo Salvadore teaching social studies in place of Mr. Allan Healy successor to Mr. Arthur Perrone.

Two supervisors are no longer with us. Mrs. Carolyn Dorst for music and Mrs. Beda Langevin for speech, both who resigned effective in September 1960. Replacements have not been found in these areas.

In June Mrs. Leona Parker replaced Mrs. Mary Lou Gift as secretary to the Superintendent of Schools.

Major repairs in the regional school have included replacing sections of tile floor which have loosened and cracked, repairing flashing around those skylights not previously repaired and constructing wind breaks for certain exterior doors exposed to the weather.

A proposal to amend the Regional District agreement to include a Kindergarten was defeated at a special town meeting in November. It is strongly recommended that this vital part of a modern school program be seriously considered again in the near future.

A professional evaluation was completed for grades 7 - 12 last spring. Since this was a project of great significance and importance the entire principal's report was devoted to it. I would recommend a careful analysis of this report by all citizens.

Each year it becomes progressively more difficult to

maintain buildings, retain teachers, and provide a quality program without a sizable increase in expenditure. With the rising costs of goods and services each year it is unreasonable to expect to provide an equal or better educational program for the same money.

Because of this fact there has been and will continue to be much unrest in the community regarding the cost of education. There are some who propose "better education for less money" and have convinced a few citizens that a direct or indirect attack on those responsible for the school program will bring about desirable results. Don't be fooled, nothing is further from the truth. One of the most effective weapons of communism is subversion which is an attempt to undermine and destroy the effectiveness of the will of the majority by creating unrest and confusion among its citizens.

It behooves every citizen to become informed (from reliable sources) and take an intelligent stand on the issues at stake. No longer can one afford not to be "involved" without risking the future of his community.

There is no question that good education is expensive, so is poor education. Nevertheless, our greatest community resource is the minds of our youth and they can not be neglected. Our future depends on them.

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens, staff, and school committee members, whose cooperation have made the past year a successful and enjoyable one.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON L. TILLEY,

Superintendent of Schools.

Report of the Principal

I hereby submit my fifth annual report as Principal of Charlemont High and Hawlemont Regional Schools.

The Evaluation and Accreditation of Grades 7 - 12, by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, was the major achievement of 1960. This means that Charlemont High School is an accredited public secondary school according to the standards set by the N.E.A.C. & S.S. and it's membership in the Association is extended to 1970.

Grades 7 - 12 were evaluated by a Committee from the N.E.A.C. & S.S. on March 9, 10, and 11, 1960. (The Evaluation Process was explained in the 1959 Town Report.) After the visit, the Chairman of the Visiting Committee, provided a written report of the Committee's Commendations and Recommendations to the Principal and the N.E.A.C. & S.S. This report, in its entirety, was read to the School Committees at the May 16, 1960 School Committee Meeting. A summary of the written report was then prepared and given to the public in August.

The administration and staff of Charlemont High School began a follow-up study of the Evaluation during the fall. Approved member schools must present a follow-up report of the Evaluation to the N.E.A.C. & S.S. two years after the date of the visit by the Visiting Committee.

The first step in the follow-up of the Evaluation was to place each of the Recommendations of the Visiting Committee in one of the following categories:

1. Recommendations already carried out.
2. Recommendations that can be carried out in the near future.
3. Recommendations that need to be carried out through long planning.
4. Recommendations that are judged to be invalid.

All of the Visiting Committee's Recommendations are listed in their proper category.

Recommendations Already Carried Out.

1. The study of the need of a course in psychology in the face of other curriculum needs. The faculty has studied the need and believes the course should remain. Changing the name of the course to "Life Adjustment" would perhaps be more suitable.
2. The continuance of the follow-up study and collection of data on all students leaving Charlemont High School, whether as drop-outs or as graduates. The follow-up is increasing as the school grows.
3. Provision by the school of tools and supplies used in the Art Program. The school is providing, in increasing quantity, tools and supplies.
4. Attention given to the quality and variety of instructional material. Free hand drawing is being emphasized with Arts and Crafts. Mechanical Drawing is being up-graded each year.
5. Consideration given to filling the apparent need for reference books and periodicals pertaining to Art. Reference books have been added and more are contemplated for 1961-1962. A periodical in the field of Art has been included in the periodicals for the library.
6. A study of the business education curriculum be made:
   a. To investigate the feasibility of providing two year courses in Typewriting and Shorthand. 1 year course in Typewriting and a 2 year course in Shorthand are considered feasible at this time.
   b. To combine the Secretarial Office Practice and Clerical Office Practice Courses in which there has been repetition. This has been done.
7. Provide individual typewriting desks and adjustable chairs for Typewriting. This has been done.
8. Provide a timer for typewriting class. Done.
9. Provide represenative electric adding machines and calculators. We have two electric adding machines and we rent other adding machines and calculators. (Rental machines in 1961-1962 budgets).
10. Provide Bookkeeping kits. Done.
11. Provide up-to-date Shorthand and Typewriting text books. Done.
12. Clearer definition of the content of the courses offered in the business education department. Done.

13. A review of the present commercial curriculum as listed in the program of studies for consisting with the stated objectives in philosophy of the school. Done.
14. The use of oral French in the classroom should be increased. This has and is being done.
15. An enclosed area should be provided for the use of the language laboratory. Three booths have been provided.
16. More use could be made of the available tape recorder in language area. Students now use the tape recorder during French periods, free periods and eighth periods.
17. The use of audio-visual material would develop more interest in French. Tape recordings have been obtained from the French Consulate. Other tapes and illustrative material have been purchased.
18. Filing equipment for the accumulation of material such as post cards, pictures and printed material would be an asset to a language teacher. A 2 drawer filing cabinet has been purchased for the language room.
19. The general appearance of the building and equipment should be made conducive to the proper training in health and safety. Two rooms have had new lights installed. Two other rooms have been painted during the past year. New typing tables have been purchased for the Commercial Room. A new electric water cooler has been installed in Charlemont High School. (The electric water cooler was purchased by the students.)
20. Periodicals and other publications pertaining to health and safety should be made available. Three periodicals have been added to the library.
21. Provision should be made for additional reference and supplementary materials and equipment in Mathematics. Carried out in last budget and continuing in the 1961 Budget.
22. Curtain partitions in the girls shower area should be restored. Curtains have been made and are ready to put up as soon as suitable rings for the curtains can be obtained.
23. Provide laboratory manuals or worksheets in biology. Worksheets are duplicated when needed.
24. Provision should be made for adequately equipping the science laboratory. This has been and is being

done through local budget and N.D.E.A.

25. Planned addition of reference books of different ability levels for the social studies area. Books have been purchased and a great quantity of modern reference books have been given to the school.

26. While yearly budget is reasonably adequate for annual additional acquisitions, there is definite need for an extra budget item to bring the reference resources up to date in the library. While there are 4 sets of encyclopedias and 35 additional general reference works, many of them are definitely out dated. Books in general collection include far too many donations from local attics, with yellowed pages, microscopic print, and unattractive make-up. Such books do not inspire enthusiasm for reading and should be replaced. Many books, guilty of above criticism, have been discarded and new reference books have been added through purchases and donations of modern reference books.

27. Provide a greater variety in periodicals for the library. Done.

28. Separation of fiction and non-fiction would be a logical first step towards a more orderly arrangement of books than the present alphabetically-author arrangement. Done.

29. Provision for follow-up services, under Guidance Services, particularly such as would improve the educational program. This is being carried out on the permanent records of all students.

30. Illumination of the old building both in instructional areas and in corridors generally needs modernization and improvement. Two class rooms have had new lights installed and two other rooms have been painted.

31. Removal of all combustible materials presently stored under stairways. Done.

32. Provision for proper storage areas where all combustible and non-inflammable custodial supplies may be stored. Done.

33. Removal of potential fire and safety hazards from boiler room. Done.

34. Improve housekeeping in boiler room. Done.

35. Replacement of stair treads as needed. Done.

36. Consideration given to replacement of old drinking fountains. One old drinking fountain replaced with electric water cooler.

37. Improvement of conditions if stage is to be continued in use for instructional purposes. Done.
38. Improvement of sanitation in both boys' and girls' toilets. Done.
39. A study be made to increase current cumulative sick leave for teachers and administrators. Cumulative sick leave has been increased to 10 days.
40. Establish a ratio basis for equitable adjustment of salaries between administration and teachers. Done.
41. Investigate the possibility of a variety of in-service programs for staff members. Science Course of Study just completed and English Course of Study starting.
42. Improvement be made in planning for curriculum development. Staff meetings have been set up to achieve this recommendation.

Short-range recommendations which can be carried out in a relatively short time.

1. A change in the format of the printed "Program of Studies" to give information on subjects given in alternate years.
2. Provide tools used in the Art Program. A few tools have already been purchased and additional money has been requested in the 1961 Budget.
3. Provide a demonstration typewriting table. This has been requested in the 1961 Budget.
4. Provide typewriting and filing kits. Requested in the 1961 Budget.
5. A course of study in English be set up for Grades 7 - 12 indicating the level at which the teaching of particular skills is to be emphasized.
6. Provide more class sets of complete works of literature (possibly in paperback editions). A set will be added each year, one set requested in the 1961 Budget.
7. The course of study should clearly define the quantity and quality of instruction in health and safety.
8. That more music be provided.
9. Provide a record library for the instruction of general music classes.
10. That music appreciation become an integral part of the seventh and eighth grade general music activities.

11. That desirable music appreciation and listening skills be developed in all students.
12. Inexpensive gym uniforms be required for all students participating in the physical education program. Boys and girls are buying gym uniforms on a voluntary basis at this time.
13. Provide a fire blanket for the science laboratory. Requested in the 1961 Budget.
14. Greater use of bulletin board space for display of pupils' work (maps, graphs, cartoons, etc.).
15. Pupils plan and put on some assembly programs during the year.
16. Increase the variety of the music program.
17. Bond and insure the person responsible for the student funds. Requested in the 1961 Budget.
18. Improve safety conditions and traffic control as it concerns loading and unloading of busses, a walk or walks from the school to the road, the crossing of Route 2 by walking pupils.
19. Install a shield or guard for the electrical panel on an entrance adjacent to the elementary school and the elimination of wires in connection therewith.
20. Consider obtaining clerical help, even part-time, to permit the principal to carry out his supervisory duties.
21. Provide a realistic salary schedule for teachers, particularly at the upper level. A $200.00 across the board raise in addition to the $200.00 increment was recommended in the 1961 Budget.

Long-range recommendations which may require extensive planning and considerable expenditure.

1. The study of means of serving the varied levels of mental ability of students within the school. As class size increases, the classes should be divided by homogeneous groupings.
2. The study of means of adding courses in Home Making and in Industrial Arts at 7th and 8th grade levels. Add Home Making and Industrial Arts in Grades 7 and 8 as soon as facilities and staff can be made available.
3. Provision of a separate room or area for:
    a. Art
    b. Mechanical Drawing
    c. Crafts

4. Provision for individual desks suitably designed for:
   a. Art
   b. Mechanical Drawing
5. Provision for a suitable work bench for craft work.
6. Provision for more chalkboard and bulletin board space in the Art area.
7. Provision of easels for art students. (Two requested in 1961 Budget.)
8. A four year sequential program in a modern foreign language.
9. Provide classroom space for courses in Home Nursing and Driver Education. Additional facilities needed.
10. The present advanced mathematics course should be revised to provide specific work beyond the scope of Algebra II. It is further recommended that this course be offered each year. When the student enrollment increases make Advanced Math available every year.
11. Adequate instructional space be provided for music classes.
12. Adequate storage facilities be provided for music books and materials.
13. Provide an instrumental music program.
14. The chorus participate more often in assemblies, concerts, etc.
15. Provide qualified physical education instructors for boys and girls.
16. Provide physical education to students for more than one period per week.
17. Enlarge the locker room facilities.
18. Provide towel service for boys and girls in the physical education program.
19. Provide additional laboratory table facilities and related equipment for biology, chemistry and physics.
20. Provide additional class time for chemistry and physics.
21. Provision for more adequate storage space in all science areas.
22. Provide a fire hood for the chemistry and physics room.
23. Assign social studies classes to one room to have teaching and illustrative materials and equipment at hand. Additional classroom space needed to follow this recommendation.

24. Provide shelf or cupboard space for displays of special materials and work exhibits.
25. Provide areas or tables for project work.
26. Provide a room not used for other purposes for the library.
27. Provide a vertical file of pamphlets, etc. for the library.
28. Relieve the teacher-librarian of some teaching load in order to give adequate service to the library.
29. Initiate a formal guidance program in accordance with the schools objectives.
30. Assign guidance responsibilities to a qualified member of the staff, who is not serving in an administrative capacity, on a part time basis.
31. Provide adequate space and facilities for guidance purposes.
    a. A small, separate office for interviews.
    b. A browsing room, which would have as part of it extensive materials useful for guidance purposes.
32. Provide a new building to answer the needs previously mentioned in concern of facilities. A new building is also needed to:
    a. Maintain proper temperatures as well as proper ventilation in all areas.
    b. Provide adequate space and facilities for a nurse's office and health room for high school use.
    c. Provide administrative offices and a teacher's workroom.
    d. Provide sanitary toilet and lavatory facilities for teachers.
33. Install proper electrical outlets in the business education room.
34. Relocate light switches in various parts of the building so as to be readily accessible.
35. Install dividers in boy's toilets.
36. Release the principal from duties other than administrative.
37. Install fireproof vault in the Principal's Office for the protection and storing of permanent records.

Recommendations which the administration and the staff have found to be invalid.

1. Provide additional electric typewriters. We have only Typing I, which is used as a personal typing course. Students are more apt to be using manual typewriters at home or in an office in our area.
2. Provide additional dictating units. We define unit as "machine" and believe due to size of class (2 - 4 students) one machine is sufficient.
3. A general mathematics course should be provided each year for ninth grade non-college students. Too small an enrollment to do this (only 5 elected Basic Math this year.) Most students elect Algebra I which is is offered every year.
4. Provision should be made for a terminal mathematics course for the non-college students in either Grades 11 or 12. Terminal courses in Mathematics are available in the General Business or Bookkeeping Courses.
5. Modern texts in Geometry and Advanced Mathematics should be adopted. Texts now being used are in good condition and later edition texts are not any better in content than our present ones.
6. A fully equipped portable demonstration table should be provided for General Science Classes. All General Science Classes are held in the laboratory, portable table not necessary.
7. Provisions should be made for a classroom library of reference and supplementary materials in the Science Room. This is contrary to current thoughts in education. Library books for each subject should be located in a centrally located library. Library should be accessible to students when they want the books.
8. Provide a CO_2 extinguisher for Science Room. A foam type extinguisher is provided. This extinguisher is better than a CO_2 extinguisher.
9. The frequency of the school newspaper should be increased. Enrollment is too small, not enough students to take part.
10. A more realistic approach toward formal counseling provisions for all pupils in Grades 7 - 12. More students are seen and counseled under the informal basis than would be under formal counseling provisions.

11. Establishment of placement facilities as a part of Guidance Services. The State does this through the Greenfield Employment Office. All non-college seniors are tested and interviewed each spring by the Greenfield Office.
12. The continued use of the building for school purposes involves certain health and safety factors. A building certificate has been issued by the State Building Inspector.
13. Play and recreation areas need further development for a variety of activities at the secondary level. As the enrollment has increased the areas have been developed. The Visiting Committee was also under the impression that most of the play and recreational areas belonged to the Hawlemont Regional School.
14. Study of the need for safety hardware on all primary exit doors from the old building. The State Building Inspector did not uphold this need.
15. Removal of toilet facilities adjacent to the present Art Room. State Building Inspector did not feel this was necessary.
16. Provision made for improved safe egress from the Art Room to the outside shelter and from the shelter to the outside. Not necessary according to the State Building Inspector.
17. Provision for egress from the Special Class Room as above. Not necessary according to the State Building Inspector.
18. Provision of CO_2 extinguisher in Science Room. Already covered in previous recommendation.
19. Direct exit door from boiler room be fitted with safety hardware. Not necessary according to the State Building Inspector.

I realize this report has been a lengthy one but I feel the members of the Town of Charlemont should have a permanent record of the Recommendations put forth in the Evaluation Report. Between the Summary Report of the Evaluation and this report, the people interested in providing the educational needs of the youth of Charlemont, have all the facts concerning Charlemont High School's status as a fully accredited secondary high school. The people have provided, and must continue to provide a wholesome interest in their schools if the youth of Charlemont are to have the

education they need to become happy and industrious citizens. Our boys and girls are our most important asset, let's not sell them, and ourselves, short by thinking only of our luxuries and neglecting to provide for their needs.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. JACKMAN

Principal

Graduating Program

CLASS MOTTO
In Unity There Is Strength

CLASS COLORS
Green and White

CLASS FLOWERS
Green Carnation

CLASS OFFICERS

President ..... David L. Rich
Vice-President ..... Sylvia E. Wood
Secretary ..... Helen M. Willis
Treasurer ..... R. Gail Shepherd

CLASS ROLL

*Henry B. Avery
Mary A. Brackett
Paul R. Burnett
Janet M. Gilbert
Beth M. Hunkler
John P. MacLean
*Jean B. Mills (Mrs.)
Douglas V. Pleshaw
Rodman D. Redard
George A. Rice
David L. Rich
Paul G. Rich
John F. Rossi
R. Gail Shepherd
Janice D. Smith
Jean A. Tetreault
*Helen M. Willis
Sylvia E. Wood

*National Honor Society

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Max P. Falandes
Mr. Gerald T. Raymond
Mrs. Leslie F. Vincent

FACULTY

Wilson L. Tilley, Superintendent
Robert H. Jackman, Principal
Mrs. Glenn E. Adams
Mrs. Edward R. Harris, Jr.
Mrs. Clayburn C. Rich
Mrs. Charles C. Gray
Mr. Arthur S. Perrone
Miss Camille Sergi
Mr. Leonard Yarrows

GRADUATION PROGRAM

Processional
Invocation — Reverend James J. Moylan
Salutatory Address — (Mrs.) Jean B. Mills
Class History — (Mrs.) Jean B. Mills
Class Will — Janice D. Smith, Paul G. Rich, Sylvia E. Wood

Class Prophecy	Beth M. Hunkler Jean A. Tetreault
Commencement Address	"Look Ahead" Donald F. McCaffrey Superintendent of Schools Palmer, Massachusetts
Accompanist	Mrs. Burton W. Avery
Marshall	Miss Barbara A. Goddard President, Class of 1961
SONGS	
Dedication of Yearbook	Paul R. Burnett Douglas V. Pleshaw
Valedictory Address	Henry B. Avery
Presentation of Awards	
American Legion	Gerald T. Raymond, Commander Patrick J. Coyne Post No. 171
School Awards	Robert H. Jackman, Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	Wilson L. Tilley, Supt.
Class Song	
Benediction	Reverend Walter G. Hillis
Recessional	
Receiving Line	

CHARLEMONT PUPILS

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE - OCTOBER 1, 1960

Boys and Girls	Age														
Grades	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Totals
Opp.					1		1								2
1	12	1	2												15
2		16	3												19
3		2	10	1	2	1									16
4			2	15	3	1									21
5				6	10	5	4								25
6					4	10	3	1							18
7						2	8	3	2	1					16
8							4	10	4		1				19
9								1	6	1	2				10
10									1	5	2				8
11										4	10	2			16
12												2	6		8
Post Graduate													1	1	2
Totals	12	19	17	22	20	19	20	15	13	11	15	4	7	1	195

Report of Hawlemont Regional School Committee

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Gerald T. Raymond, Chairman	Term expires 1962
Clayburn C. Rich, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1961
Gertrude L. Ogden, Secretary	Term expires 1962
Helen Stiles	Term expires 1960
Emma B. Vincent	Term expires 1961
Katherine Falandes	Term expires 1963

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT OF THE 1960 BUDGET

Operation Maintenance

The agreement stipulates that this portion of the budget is determined on a per-pupil basis by using the enrollment in the Regional District from each member town as of October 1st of the preceding year. On October 1, 1959, there were 50 children from Hawley and 154 children from Charlemont. Therefore, the operational percentage for Hawley is 24.51% and 75.49% for Charlemont. The operation-maintenance budget for 1960 is $89,003.00. A balance of $1,981.33 from the 1958 appropriation remains in available funds and there will be an estimated reimbursement of the Region of $23,000.00 This reduces the assessment of both towns to $64,021.67. The operation-maintenance cost to the towns is as follows:

1960 Budget	$ 89,003.00
Est. Reimbursement	23,000.00
Balance of 1958 Appropriation	1,981.33
Hawley's Share	$15,691.71
Charlemont's Share	48,329.96
Total Operation-Maintenance Assessment	$ 64,021.67

Debt and Interest

The agreement stipulates that Hawley pay 21% and Charlemont 79% of this cost. For 1960 the cost will be $20,775.00. This is a decrease of $412.50 over the payment for 1959.

1960 Debt & Interest	$ 20,775.00
Est. State Reimbursement	8,967.60
Hawley's Share	$ 2,479.55
Charlemont's Share	9,327.85
Net Debt & Interest Assessment	$11,807.40

Total Cost to Both Towns

	Hawley	Charlemont	
Operation-Maintenance	$15,691.71	$48,329.96	
Debt & Interest	2,479.55	9,327.85	
Total Comb. Assessment	$18,171.26	$57,657.81	$75,829.07

CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 1960

Town Expenditure, High School	$ 44,447.70	
Town Appropriation, Regional Operation	48,329.96	
Town Appropriation, Regional Capital	9,327.85	
GROSS COST TO TOWN FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS		$102,105.51
ESTIMATED REIMBURSEMENTS:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Chapter 70, General School Fund	$ 15,984.64	
Supt's Salary & Travel	2,053.32	
Transportation	3,220.70	
Division of Child Guardianship	1,851.55	
Vocational Transportation & Tuition	312.57	
PL 85-864	406.32	
TUITION:		
Town of Rowe	2,000.00	
Town of Heath	1,360.00	
Town of Hawley	3,600.00	
Stephen Leonard School Fund Interest	92.42	
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN LOCAL TAX		$ 30,881.52
NET COST TO TOWN FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS		$ 71,223.99

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1960, cash on hand	$ 41,512.76	
Received:		
Town of Charlemont, budget	57,657.81	
Town of Hawley, budget	18,171.26	
Town of Rowe, tuition	1,880.00	
Town of Heath, tuition	720.00	
State Treasurer, payment on:		
Approved School Construction	8,967.60	
School Transportation	16,943.62	
Opportunity Class	2,262.07	
Title III - P.L. 85-864	184.84	
Cafeteria Funds	14,391.95	
Income Tax, Retirement and Blue Cross Deductions	11,622.21	
U.S. Building and Guaranty Co., reimbursement for damages to building	250.00	
		$174,564.12

Paid:		
Operation Warrants	$ 97,552.39	
Debt & Interest Warrants	20,775.00	
Cafeteria Warrants	14,471.68	
Available Funds:		
Cafeteria Account	1,341.32	
Franklin Co. Retirement System	38.41	
Federal Withholding Taxes	743.19	
Massachusetts Withholding Taxes	240.41	
School Account	39,401.72	
		$174,564.12

Respectfully submitted,

ANN E. DOYLE, Treasurer

Chart of School Personnel — Teachers

REGIONAL AND HIGH SCHOOL

NAME	POSITION	EXPERIENCE	PROFESSIONAL TRAINING
WILSON L. TILLEY	Superintendent	11 years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
ROBERT H. JACKMAN	Principal-Teacher	9 years	B.S. Northeastern University M. Ed. Boston University University of Massachusetts
FRANCES A. GRAY	Gr. 8 - 12 English	14 years	B. S. Boston University School of Chinese Studies Peiping, China
ELIZABETH HARRIS	U. S. History, Civics Gr. 7 - 8 Social Studies & Science	23 years	B.A. Alfred University Columbia University Hofstra College
ROBERT L. NICHOLS	English - French	3 years	B.A. Tufts College University of Geneva, Switzerland University of Biarritz, France
ROMEO P. SALVADORE	Social Studies	1 year	B.A. St. Anselm's College Boston Univ. School of Education Worcester State Teachers' College
LEONARD A. YARROWS	Gr. 9 - 12 Math & Science	4 years	B.S. University of Massachusetts
CAMILLE M. SERGI	Commercial Studies	2 years	Salem State Teachers' College

WINIFRED D. LOONEY	Grade 6	14 years	Framingham Normal School
THELMA PURINTON	Grade 5	17 years	North Adams Normal School
GLADYS CLARK	Grade 4	20 years	Arrostook State Normal School
B. CONSTANCE POLLARD	Grade 3	28 years	North Adams Normal School
HAZEL N. RICHMOND	Grade 2	16 years	North Adams Normal School
VERNA TAYLOR	Grade 1	7 years	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
GRACE RAYMOND	Opportunity Class	10 years	Fitchburg Normal School
JEANETTE RICH	Art Supervisor	18 years	B.S. Massachusetts School of Art

NON-TEACHING PERSONNEL

Leona Parker	Secretary
Will C. Turner	School Custodian-Charlemont High School
Charles Purinton	School Custodian-Hawlemont Regional School
Gertrude Maynard	Cafeteria Manager
Grace Stafford	Cafeteria Assistant
Leora Howes	Cafeteria Worker
Dorothy Morehouse, R.N.	School Nurse
Samuel J. Galbo, M.D.	School Doctor
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

CHARLEMONT HIGH SCHOOL

Disbursement of 1960 Funds and Budget for 1961

	1960 Appro.	1960 Expend.	1961 Appro.
GENERAL CONTROL:			
School Committee Expense	$ 210.00	$ 190.75	$ 235.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,400.00	1,356.68	1,500.00
Superintendent's Other Expenses	1,102.00	939.70	830.00
	$ 2,712.00	$ 2,487.13	$ 2,565.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Principal	$ 5,225.00	$ 5,228.89	$ 5,525.00
Teachers	17,720.00	17,469.94	19,590.00
Supervisors	1,270.00	1,092.32	1,450.00
Substitutes	275.00	156.00	275.00
Staff Expense	235.00	232.02	585.00
Books	800.00	773.18	1,070.00
Supplies	810.00	771.11	910.00
	$ 26,335.00	$ 25,723.46	$ 29,405.00
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	$ 3,600.00	$ 3,579.33	$ 3,800.00
Fuel	800.00	668.57	800.00
Miscellaneous	720.00	849.91	800.00
	$ 5,120.00	$ 5,097.81	$ 5,400.00
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs and Replacements	$ 1,505.00	$ 1,714.44	$ 1,740.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	$ 55.00	$ 38.86	$ 60.00
Transportation	3,753.00	3,489.28	4,300.00
Vocational	2,430.00	1,937.04	3,130.00
Physical Education	1,200.00	1,138.59	1,200.00
Driver Education	200.00	194.39	200.00
Insurance	240.00	121.36	240.00
Library			150.00
Miscellaneous	650.00	373.99	1,000.00
	$ 8,528.00	$ 7,293.51	$ 10,280.00
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	$ 2,122.85	$ 2,131.35	$ 1,470.00
Yards and Grounds	400.00		400.00
	$ 2,522.85	$ 2,131.35	$ 1,870.00
TOTALS	$ 46,722.85	$ 44,447.70	$ 51,260.00

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Disbursement of 1960 Funds and Budget for 1961

	1960 Appro.	1960 Expend.	1961 Appro.
GENERAL CONTROL:			
School Committee Expense	$ 659.00	$ 533.18	$ 670.00
Superintendent's Salary	3,500.00	3,453.32	3,800.00
Superintendent's Other Expenses	1,464.00	1,579.60	2,250.00
	$ 5,623.00	$ 5,566.10	$ 6,720.00
INSTRUCTION:			
Principal and Teachers	$ 42,800.00	$ 42,336.15	$ 45,615.00
Supervisors	3,188.00	2,684.47	3,325.00
Substitutes	500.00	654.00	500.00
Staff Expenses	250.00	255.58	425.00
Books	1,360.00	1,156.28	960.00
Supplies	1,660.00	1,599.73	1,660.00
	$ 49,758.00	$ 48,686.21	$ 52,485.00
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	$ 4,050.00	$ 4,000.10	$ 4,150.00
Fuel	2,800.00	2,826.20	2,800.00
Miscellaneous	2,200.00	2,232.48	2,200.00
	$ 9,050.00	$ 9,058.78	$ 9,150.00
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs and Replacements	$ 1,586.00	$ 2,238.60	$ 1,600.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	$ 240.00	$ 244.12	$ 240.00
Library			200.00
Transportation	18,000.00	16,984.60	18,000.00
Physical Education	460.00	260.52	460.00
Miscellaneous	1,415.00	1,387.25	1,415.00
	$ 20,115.00	$ 18,876.49	$ 20,315.00
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	$ 2,471.00	$ 1,970.06	$ 935.75
Yards and Grounds	400.00	300.00	200.00
	$ 2,871.00	$ 2,270.06	$ 1,135.75
TOTALS	$ 89,003.00	$ 86,696.24	$ 91,405.75

Report of the School and District Nurse 1960

The Western Franklin Public Health District offers a generalized health service to all folks in Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe. The total number of home and school visits this year was 1,129.

An order from the family doctor is necessary for nursing visits except for First Aid or in an emergency.

Much time is given to school nursing especially in the fall and winter. Physical examinations by the school doctors, vision tests and weighing and measuring are done for each pupil. Parents are notified of any reportable defect. First Aid for injuries, checking for suspicious contagion or doubtful skin conditions that might spread to others and seeing that a sick child has care and gets home are come of the nurse's activities in the schools.

This is so important that I am going to say it again. A big thank you to the parents for keeping a child home with a fresh "cold" or cough. Colds spread rapidly in the class room. Care at the start may prevent a serious illness.

New type, stronger vitamin capsules are available all during the school year. Vitamins do help for better health.

A thorough, individual hearing test is given by Mrs. Beda Langevin. A failure is reported to the mother. If a parent is suspicious of a preschool child having a hearing loss and wishes to contact the nurse, a hearing test would be gladly given.

Contagious diseases were few. Known were one case of german measles in Hawley in January and a few cases of mumps in Hawley and Heath this fall.

More protection against Polio was given in June. There were 3 clinics held at the Hawlemont School. Most were for the 4th shot. The number of pupils receiving Polio vaccine were: High School 92 - Hawlemont School 143 - Heath School 48 and Rowe School 11. Total - 294.

The number attending the preschool clinic was: Charlemont 61 - Hawley 19 - Heath 24 and Rowe 10. Total 114.

As to which shots were given: 1st shots 19 - 2nd shots 11 - 3rd shots 23 and 4th shots 355. This means 408

children had more protection against Polio. From the request slips returned, many children had Polio shots by the family doctor. So the percentage of immunized children would be very high in our Towns. Mothers, be sure that your children have had 4 shots of Polio vaccine, if possible, before next summer. See your doctor. Be wise - immunize !

How about you adults up to age 40? Polio strikes hard in adults. An adult Polio clinic, in June, was sponsored by the Heath and Rowe Granges. About 130 attended plus a few children unable to attend the school clinics. It would be very tragic for Polio to strike an adult who had no shots!

Miss Genevieve Ely, State Dental Hygienist, examined the teeth of all the pupils. A slip will go home for those who need care. There is much health education in this and in her fine peppy dental care talks in the class rooms. Save those teeth! Good food, regular brushing and regular care by the dentist help. One class room in Rowe had a returned certificate—100% care by the dentist—from every child. That's wonderful! Can't we have more?

Home visits under Infant, Preschool, Maternity and Adult Health were made to aid toward good health and the correction of defects.

The annual Well Child Conferences were held at the Hawlemont School in July. Dr. M. B. Low examined the children. Mrs. George Coombs was the nutritionist and Mrs. Robert McIntash, Jr., the dental hygienist for most of the towns. We hope the day will come when all 4 towns can have this complete staff at their conferences. The purpose of these conferences is to "keep the well child well and to promote his best state of health now and for the future." The attendance was: Charlemont 70 - Hawley 18 Heath 31 and Rowe 21.

A modified Red Cross Home Nursing course was given to all Senior and Junior High School girls. They learned to give care and comfort to a bed patient in the home. They received certificates from the Red Cross.

To the Greenfield Health Camp went 2 girls from Heath and 2 boys from Charlemont. Making new friends and being a "bit on their own" is helpful.

A booster shot clinic to immunize for Diphtheria, Whooping cough and Tetanus is planned for next spring. If many

little tots need the 1st and 2nd shots 3 clinics will be held. Most of the pupils will be given the adult type shot that does not include whooping cough immunization, as this may be very toxic to any but the younger group.

To the individuals and organizations in the Towns we wish to say Thank You for the contributions that help so much in our health program. We are especially grateful to the Charlemont Lions Club for the glasses they gave to children.

And what would I do with out the many willing workers at my clinics! Thank you, too—very much.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R. N.
District Nurse

STATEMENT FROM SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Charlemont School Committee issues this statement to clarify our purpose, policy, and position.

Our chief aim is to provide for our young people the very finest education possible with existing facilities. We believe than an efficient educational program can only be realized by continuity in administrative and teaching personnel. Therefore each year we have favored modest increases in salaries hoping to prevent frequent and sudden changes in the staff.

Orderly routine, regular attendance, and discipline are necessary if our young people are to get the maximum benefit from the educational opportunities the townspeople provide; therefore we advocate and support strict policies in discipline and attendance.

Invitations to bid on all school bus routes are published in local papers; and in compliance with state law, contracts have been awarded to the lowest bidder. We welcome and solicit more bids for each and every route.

We agree with Dr. Conant and President Eisenhower that the program of the small high school is inadequate and the cost per pupil too high. We have been aware of this excessive cost for many years; consequently we have been and are ready, willing, and anxious to participate in any logical plan which will provide a more comprehensive program for our upper grades.

It is the policy of the committee to vote tax dollars only after thought, discussion, and careful consideration of every item. Every possible economy is practiced which will not endanger the safety and health of our young people or jeopardize the quality of their educational opportunities.

The Charlemont Committee welcomes constructive criticism and cordially invites the voters of our town to attend our regular committee meetings. We issue this statement hoping it will help the voters of Charlemont better understand what we are conscientiously trying to do.

CHARLEMONT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
EMMA B. VINCENT, Chairman
KATHERINE FALANDES, Secretary
GERALD RAYMOND

Trustees of East Charlemont School

To the Citizens of the Town of Charlemont:
Greetings:

The East Charlemont School has been a busy place during the year 1960. Between 50 to 60 meetings have been scheduled by town groups. This surely indicates that it is a useful and beneficial asset to the townspeople.

During the year the broken boards on the shed have been replaced, the shed has been painted, the wall beneath the shed has been relaid, and part of the east wall has been repaired.

The work on the wall was partially paid for by a donation from the Cackle Club.

Colonel Adams donated paint and made a gift of a 50 star flag to the school. He also offered to be its custodian and fly the flag at the school on appropriate days. We are truly grateful for this demonstration of his generosity and public spirit.

We wish to thank Mr. Healy for his donation of fuel for use of the patrons of school. Also for the many times he has cleared the yard of snow so access could be made, we add our thanks.

Our objective for the coming year is to finish rebuilding the east wall. To do this and to cover other expenses we recommend an appropriation of $65.00 for the year 1961.

Suggestions from the townspeople are welcomed by us at any time. We solicit your sentiment and interest toward our effort to improve, renew and protect this building, as a reminder of the steadfastness, integrity and stability from the past, for future generations.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL V. SEARS, Clerk
For the Trustees of the
East Charlemont School

LAWRENCE CLARK, Chairman
HERBERT SMITH
STANTON KENDRICK
EMMA W. FISK
MABEL V. SEARS

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT
COMMITTEE

Russell C. Denison, Chairman	Colrain
Dr. Charles Streeter, Vice Chairman	Charlemont
Gerald Raymond	Charlemont
Earle A. Lowell	Colrain
Helen Stiles	Hawley
Kenneth Stetson (Resigned)	Heath
Walter Gleason	Heath

Appointments

Donald A. Fisher, Superintendent-Secretary
Frederic P. Gray, Treasurer
Donald T. Hillier, Attorney

Advisory Committee

Harry Purinton	Charlemont
Donald G. Shearer	Colrain
Clayburn C. Rich	Hawley
Frank I. Gleason	Heath

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance January 1, 1960		$ 2,339.03
Receipts 1960 - None		
Disbursements 1960:		
Legal Expense	$ 95.00	
Telephone Expense	45.85	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Salary - Clerical	48.75	
Salary - Treasurer	25.00	
Commonwealth of Mass. Auditing Expense	40.89	
Committee Expense	67.11	
		$ 327.60
Balance December 31, 1960		$ 2,011.43

OPERATING BUDGET 1961

Telephone	$ 35.00
Bond-Treasurer	10.00
Salary-Clerical	75.00
Office Supplies and Postage	25.00
Auditing	45.00
Legal Counsel	200.00
Committee Expense	80.00
	$ 470.00
Due from Member Towns	000.00

FREDERIC P. GRAY, Treasurer

TO THE TOWNS OF THE MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

This is the fifth annual report of the Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee to the citizens of the District.

After this Committee organized in February it took steps to have preliminary and working plans prepared under the Housing and Home Financing Agency known as Public Law 560.

The Committee studied and approved educational specifications for a 415 student and a 750 student school. The Committee interviewed various architects and tentatively selected the firm of S. W. Haynes Associates of Fitchburg as architects for the Region. After the Committee had taken all of the necessary preliminary steps they were encouraged by the Mass. School Building Assistance Commission and the Boston Regional Office of the H.H.F.A. to continue preparation of educational specifications and other information for submission of the application for planning cost assistance at the earliest possible date.

During the latter part of October the Committee was advised by the Mass. S.B.A.C. that they did not feel a 415 pupil school would be large enough for them to participate in and accordingly could not approve such a plan. Also the Committee was advised that funds for P.L. 560 were limited and it was very doubtful if we would receive approval of financial assistance for final plans.

It has become increasingly apparent that no construction is possible within the framework of the present Mohawk Trail Regional School District.

Therefore, this Committee is recommending than an amendment to the Agreement be approved to permit final termination of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District at the earliest possible date. We take this step because we are aware there is still a very acute educational problem and feel that the only truly economical way to offset this is to have a Regional School for the entire area.

We have been advised that several Towns in the area are to be requested to have a Committee to re-study the educational needs of the area. We endorse this move in the hope that a decision will soon be reached to give our children the education to which they are entitled.

Several of the Towns are being pressed for more classrooms in the elementary grades. One of the ways to relieve this situation would be the construction of a Grades 7 through 12 school for the area.

The Committee will be happy to make available to any future Planning Committee any of the material and information we have compiled during our study.

On June 30, 1960 Hawley's membership in the Mohawk Trail Regional School District was legally terminated.

1960 Annual Report of the Charlemont Fire Department

This year the Department hurried to twenty-two fires;
Eighteen in town and four away, carried on four new tires.
Ken Henderson, Harry Purinton and Ray Willis elected
officers again;
Chief Frank Wells directed us from the Firehouse on Main.
We bought some new equipment; mirrors, hose and a pump;
The Ladies had a food sale and our treasury took a jump.
Coach Joe's Little League was another great success;
Yankee Doodle danced on the Green that we helped to caress.
We were instructed in firefighting each month at the station;
At our Banquet in March we learned about radiation.
We now have oxygen equipment, humidifier and mask;
To learn how to use them find a fireman and ask.
The Ladies we took out to dinner; They had a fine time;
Barb Avery's program was great (At least her verse did
rhyme).
A course for the public in First Aid is very, very near;
And for certain they'll elect a new Secretary next year.

RAYMOND C. WILLIS,

Secretary

Report of the Chief of Police

To the Board of Selectmen and the People of the Town of Charlemont I submit the annual report as Chief of Police of the Town of Charlemont.

During the year I have investigated six (6) accidents which involved seven (7) cars. In these accidents there were three (3) persons injured requiring medical attention. I also assisted the State Police at four (4) accidents involving eleven (11) cars. In these accidents there were only slight injuries. Three (3) summonses were served for other Police Departments. I received a total of thirty-three (33) calls and there were nineteen (19) of these calls that required investigation.

I have been notified by the Registry of Motor Vehicles that five (5) local operators have had their licenses suspended and one revoked. One (1) registration was revoked.

I have processed twenty-one (21) firearm permits for renewal and issued one (1) new one. One (1) gunsmith and one (1) gun dealers license was issued.

Last fall I worked three (3) nights with the registry men in checking equipment and credentials. It proved so successful that I tried it a few nights with men from our own department. I feel that this should be done more frequently.

Fifteen Arrests were made this year.

Type of Arrest	Male	Female
Neglect of Minor Children	1	1
Being a neglected child	1	2
Delinquincy by reason of runaway	3	
Larceny under $100.00		1
Escaped mental patient	1	
Leaving scene of accident after Property damage	1	
Operating so as to endanger	1	
Operating without license	1	
Drunkeness	2	

The following summonses were issued for motor vehicle violations:

Operating an unregistered motor vehicle	1	
Operating an uninsured motor vehicle	1	
Speeding	15	2
Passing with view obstructed	6	
Operating so as to endanger	3	
Following too close	1	
Operating under the influence	1	

The financial report of the Department will be found on a separate page of this report.

To the Personnel of the State Police at Shelburne Falls and to the men of Registry of Motor Vehicles I express my thanks for the help that they have given to me this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS C. ANNEAR,

Chief of Police

Report of the Sanford Fife Fund Committee

Fund Income Balance, December 31, 1959	$ 4,256.74
Income 1960	2,477.86
	$ 6,734.60
Disbursements to December 15, 1960	499.62
Fund Income Balance, December 15, 1960	$ 6,234.98

The Fife Fund Committee appointed by the president of the Franklin County Public Hospital Board of Trustees consisted of the following members:

Norman W. Hawkes, Charlemont, Board of Selectmen
Harry Purinton, Charlemont, resident, resigned
Horace E. Warfield, Charlemont, resident, appointed
Richard T. Lyman, Greenfield, President, F.C.P.H.
Charles N. Stoddard, Jr., Greenfield, appointed
Alexander McAliley, Greenfield, Hospital Director, resigned
Bright M. Dornblaser, Greenfield, Hospital Director

Librarian's Report for 1960

The overall circulation for the year was 16,571 from the Library 11,917—from the Bookmobile 4,654—Books added 278. We had quite a number of books given by friends this year. Among some outstanding books were—2 books on Alaska—2 on Maine—the new Geography—Massachusetts by Howe—2 on covered bridges—the new Art Linkletter book—Yankee Kingdom (on Vermont and New Hampshire—two on Vermont including one pictorial one—and a couple of Walter Hard's poetry ones.

State Reading Certificates awarded during the year to the pupils of the 5th grade - Mrs. Thelma Purinton, teacher. HONORS — Patty Lamore, Peter Johnson, Arley Mills (each had two), Larry Parker, Roberta Stetson, Sally Shumway, Larry Tower and Paula Rice (each one). Five book certificates — Patty Lamore 9, Arley Mills 10, Edward Racz 7, Sally Shumway 6, Deborah Pike 5, Peter Johnson, Roberta Stetson and Betty Dean, each 4, Carlene LaCoss, Larry Parker, Paula Rice, Clifton Scott each 3; Larry Tower, Margaret Avery, Paul Kendrick, Harley Hunkler, Leland Gray 2, David Burnett, Frederick Scott, Cecil Bellows, Sharon Tetreault, Kathyn Taylor, Aristia Burrington, Stefan Racz, each two, John Dean, Ethel Clark, Douglas Smith, David Scott, Candace Magnant, Charlene Dimick and Lawrence Sherman, each one. Total Honors 11, total Five-book certificates 93.

Books may be borrowed for 2 weeks and magazines for one. Kindly return them when due. The Library is open Wednesdays from 2 til 5 and on Saturdays from 2 to 5 and 7 till 9.

Respectfully submitted,

PEARLE L. TANNER

Librarian

Report of the Park Commissioners

Once again in our annual report Memorial Park was enjoyed by several family reunions from outside towns as well as local gatherings. Connecticut and Deerfield Valley Pamona Granges held their Second Annual Picnic and days of sports.

The usual big attraction of the year was the three day Yankee Doodle Celebration.

The project this past year of great interest was the drilling of the artesian well. It is felt a sufficient supply of water will be available for practical uses.

The Park Commissioners recommend a sum of money be appropriated to be used to install a pump and lavatory facilities.

Money spent outside the appropriations of the well was used in grading the track.

We would like at this time to thank the Charlemont Lions Club for their grateful donation towards the well. Also to Mr. Hartley for his extra donation of time and equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY L. LEGATE
AVIS C. CHURCHILL
CHARLES PURINTON

Report of the Library Trustees

The trustees and the librarian were assisted by the Reading Club in the observance of Library Week, April 3-10. Open house was held on Saturday of that week. A program in which all guests participated featured odd and interesting items from old newspapers some dating back before 1800. Quite a bit of information was brought to light about the early days of the library.

A larger number of books, including Junior High and Juveniles was added this year. The trustees appreciate the contribution of books as well as such magazines as Look, Life, Red Book, etc. by patrons of the library.

The trustees are endeavoring to meet the necessary qualifications for the library to receive funds under the act recently passed granting aid to Massachusetts Public Libraries. If successful, the amount received will be proportionate to the amount appropriated by the town.

Details of disbursement of library funds will be found in Selectmen's and Treasurer's reports.

Respectfully submitted,

STANTON KENDRICK

ELSIE BISSLAND

BLANCHE HUNT

Report of the Western Franklin Veterans' Service District

To the Selectmen of Charlemont:

Herewith is the report of the Western Franklin Veterans' Service District and summary of Veterans' Benefits handled through this office.

Requests for service were received from Nine Hundred veterans and dependents during the past year. Of this number, forty-seven were applications for hospital care or out-patient treatment. Sixty-one applied for help with non-service disability or widow's pensions and supporting evidence was procured. One-thousand eighty-four copies of records and vital statistics were made for one hundred and fifty-nine requests.

Thirty-one cases received assistance under Chapter 115, the Veterans' Benefits public assistance program of the Commonwealth. Eighty-seven persons were included in these cases and a total of $23,342.30 was paid during 1960. Towns will receive reimbursement from the State of fifty percent (50%) in settled cases and full reimbursement in State settled cases.

The total expense of District Administration, as shown on our monthly warrants was $5899.22.

The cooperation of neighboring Veterans' Agents and the Contact Office of the Veterans' Administration has been most helpful in handling claims and procuring necessary evidence.

The continued interest and cooperation of the Town Representatives is very helpful and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SCOTT

Director and Veterans' Agent

Report of the Western Franklin Welfare District

The case load has remained fairly steady as to total numbers, covering loses and gains. Our administration shows several changes as follows:

1. During August we had to run a close check on drug expenses and this continues.
2. Effective Sept. 1, 1960 all budgets were increased 5.2%, a cost of living adjustment. This excluded cases in licensed board and nursing homes.
3. The last week in November we received orders of a new catagory called Medical Assistance for the Aged, with effective date October 1, 1960.
4. The middle of December we received another directive to the effect all OAA cases were to have the transportation allowance increased from $2.50 to $4.00. That DA was to be allowed $4.00 L.T.A. and $2.50 for transportation, which are items new to this category. This effective January 1, 1961. The above changes have caused confusion for recipient as well as to administration, along with volumes of extra clerical work.

The following is a statistical analysis of the District's activities:

Number of applications taken	11
Number of home visits made	147
Number of office calls	13
Number of visits from State Area Representatives	11
Number of days auditors at office	21
Number of Welfare meetings attended	5
Number of visits not classified as home visits	35

	MAA	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Charlemont Case load Jan. 1, 1960		22	4	0	0
New Cases		1	0	0	4
Cases closed		4	2	0	4
Trans. Oct. 1, from OAA	4				
Case load Jan. 1, 1961	4	15	2	0	0

Public Assistance

Town Appropriation	$ 25,000.00	
Federal Grant Balance on 1-1-60		
Disability Assistance	142.01	
Federal Grants Received 1960		
Aid to Dependent Children	1,163.00	
Old Age Assistance	11,421.50	
Cancelled Checks		
Town Account (3 OAA)	21.70	
Federal Grant (5 OAA)	36.50	
Aid Granted		
Town Account		
Aid to Dependent Children		$ 822.07
Old Age Assistance		15,778.99
Medical Assistance for the Aged		1,253.10
Welfare		291.87
Welfare to other towns (1)		27.00
Federal Grant		
Aid to Dependent Children		1,121.70
Old Age Assistance		10,127.14
Old Age Assistance to other towns (1)		1119.80
Federal Grant Balance forward to 1-1-61		
Disability Assistance		142.01
Aid to Dependent Children		41.30
Old Age Assistance		1,211.06
Credit balance Town Account		6,848.67
	$37,784.71	$37,784.71

Western Franklin Welfare District
Budget 1961

Salary —	
Agent	$ 4,050.00
Clerk	2,940.00
Treasurer	100.00
Telephone	150.00
Travel	225.00
Bonding Treasurer	10.00
Postage	150.00
Supplies	60.00
Miscellaneous Charges	125.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin Co. Retirement	310.47
Medical Consultant	50.00
Total	$ 8,470.47

Voted at the December 12, 1960 meeting that the towns assessed share would be $1578 and the same percentages were to be used as in 1960.

Charlemont	42%	$ 664.00
Hawley	12%	189.00
Heath	16%	252.00
Monroe	14%	221.00
Rowe	16%	252.00
Balance brought forward from 1960		1,476.57
Estimated amount to be received		
Federal		3,800.00
State		2,600.00

Western Franklin Welfare District
Financial Report

Balance brought forward from Dec. 31, 1959	$ 854.43	
Town Appropriation:		
Charlemont	664.00	
Hawley	189.00	
Heath	252.00	
Monroe	221.00	
Rowe	252.00	
Federal Grant Administration		
District OAA	2,396.14	
District ADC	1,283.55	
District DA	407.17	
State Administration		
District OAA	1,597.42	
District ADC	855.70	
District DA	271.45	
District GR	104.46	
Withholdings:		
Federal tax	978.00	
County Retirement	333.56	
State Tax	41.76	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	209.35	
State withholding tax fee for 1959	1.12	
State withholding tax fee for 1960	1.24	
Phyllis L. Heist, agent		$ 3,750.00
Transportation		190.64
Edith B. Lynch, Clerk		2,820.00
Beda A. Langevin, Treas.		100.00
Dr. Francis Carey, Medical Consultant		50.00
Supplies & Communications		293.95
Bond for Treasurer		10.00
Town of Charlemont, rent		300.00
Assessed share - Franklin County Retirement		344.53

Withholdings:		
Franklin County Retirement		333.56
Federal Tax		978.00
State Tax		41.76
Blue Cross-Blue Shield		209.35
Assessing real estate		15.00
		$ 9,436.79
Credit Balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1961		1,476.56
	$10,913.35	$10,913.35

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS L. HEIST,

Director

I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1960.

Respectfully,

BEDA A. LANGEVIN,

Treasurer

Western Franklin Public Health District

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:		
Balance brought forward January 1, 1960	$ 484.67	
Town of Charlemont	1,800.00	
Town of Hawley	900.00	
Town of Heath	900.00	
Town of Rowe	900.00	
Vitamin Capsules	73.55	
Nursing Fees	147.25	
Federal Withholding Tax	599.40	
State Withholding Tax	33.24	
County Retirement	197.50	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	53.50	
State Withholding Tax to District	1.92	
Total		$ 6,091.03
Disbursements:		
Nurse's Salary	$ 3,840.00	
Nurse's Mileage	286.44	
Phone Service	47.00	
New England Tel. & Tel.	123.05	
Supplies	126.94	
Office Rent	300.00	
Treasurer's Salary	110.00	
Treasurer's Bond	10.00	
Federal Withholding Tax	599.40	
State Withholding Tax	33.24	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	53.50	
County Retirement	197.50	
Polio Clinics	54.00	
Franklin County Retirement System	209.54	
Total		$ 5,990.61
Balance carried forward to 1961		$ 100.42

Respectfully submitted,

BEDA A. LANGEVIN,

Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

Charlemont, Massachusetts

December 31, 1960

1955 Personal Property		
Outstanding	$	44.00
1956 Motor Excise		
Collected		13.83
Abated		67.82
Outstanding		.00
1957 Poll		
Collected		6.00
Abated		4.00
Outstanding		.00
1957 Personal Property		
Collected		14.00
Abated		.00
Outstanding		.00
1957 Real Estate		
Collected		338.83
Abated		.00
Outstanding		.00
1957 Motor Excise		
Collected		196.44
Abated		225.56
Outstanding		62.68
1957 Farm Animal		
Collected		10.50
Abated		.00
Outstanding		.00
1958 Poll		
Collected		8.00
Abated		8.00
Outstanding		4.00
1958 Personal Property		
Collected		47.12
Abated		12.40
Outstanding		32.24
1958 Real Estate		
Collected		1,032.13
Abated		.00
Outstanding		481.71

1958 Motor Excise	
Collected	347.30
Abated	94.40
Outstanding	212.90
1958 Farm Animal	
Collected	11.13
Abated	.00
Outstanding	16.88
1959 Poll	
Collected	38.00
Abated	12.00
Outstanding	10.00
1959 Personal Property	
Collected	864.36
Abated	.00
Outstanding	233.42
1959 Real Estate	
Collected	7,520.87
Abated	.00
Outstanding	1,670.12
1959 Motor Excise	
Collected	4,453.61
Abated	335.89
Refunded	102.61
Outstanding	498.91
1959 Farm Animal	
Collected	23.38
Abated	.00
Outstanding	14.00
1960 Poll	
Committed	498.00
Collected	406.00
Abated	16.00
Outstanding	76.00
1960 Personal Property	
Committed	10,716.93
Collected	9,950.85
Abated	.00
Outstanding	766.08
1960 Real Estate	
Committed	90,089.24
Collected	80,036.42
Abated	1,705.52
Outstanding	8,347.30

1960 Motor Excise	
Seven Commitments	8,352.20
Collected	6,867.75
Abated	864.95
Refunded	416.06
Outstanding	1,035.56
1960 Farm Animal	
Committed	289.72
Collected	256.59
Abated	.00
Outstanding	33.13
1960 Trailer Tax	
Collected	278.00
1960 Interest	
Collected	413.39
Total Outstanding Taxes	
December 31, 1958	$21,880.79
December 31, 1959	15,300.00
December 31, 1960	13,538.93

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND C. WILLIS,

Collector of Taxes

Town Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

General cash in Treasury, January 1, 1960	$ 64,087.42
Frank Legate, Cemetery Fund Interest	6.55
Stephen W. Hawkes, Cemetery Fund Interest	6.55
Philomen Rice, Cemetery Fund Interest	5.79
Potter Cemetery Fund Interest	32.76
Jennie & Lewis Sears Cemetery Fund Interest	16.39
Sears, Mantor & Lyman, Cemetery Fund Interest	16.39
Wildcat Bounty for 1959	30.00
Wildcat Bounty for 1960	20.00
Borrowed Note	20,000.00
District Court Fines	45.00
Welfare District Postage	29.08
Advertising	42.29
Sealer's Fees	33.75
All Alcoholic Licenses	2,000.00
All Alcoholic Seasonal Licenses	700.00
Package Store Licenses	100.00
Plantation Club License	250.00
Wine and Malt Beverages License	200.00
All Other Licenses and Permits	177.00
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	1,165.90
Federal Withholding Tax	4,931.82
State Withholding Tax	336.51
County of Franklin Retirement	851.05
County Treasurer, Refunds and Dog Licenses	547.84
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	362.23
Tyler Memorial Library - fines	2.30
Town Hall - Rent	609.00
Fire Department Receipts	171.15
Trailer Park Rental	278.00
State Treasurer, Comm. Vets. Services	1,332.50
State Treasurer, Meal Tax Distribution	1,016.63
State Treasurer, Livestock Disease Control	37.50
State Treasurer, Income Tax	4,214.35
State Treasurer, Corporation Tax	6,148.73
Maps of Charlemont	7.20
New England Tree Expert	20.00
State Withholding Tax to the Town	16.81
Conn. & Deerfield Valley Pomona Grange, Use of Memorial Park	10.00

Kingsley Reunion - Use of Memorial Park		10.00
Pike Reunion - Use of Memorial Park		3.50
		$109,871.99

HIGHWAYS

State Treasurer		
Chapter 81 Contract	$ 9,063.32	
Machinery Earnings	12,320.84	
		$ 21,384.16

SCHOOLS

State Treasurer, Transportation	$ 3,220.70	
State Treasurer, Vocational Education	312.57	
State Treasurer, Division of Child Guardianship	1,851.55	
State Treasurer, School Aid, Chapter 70	15,984.64	
State Treasurer, Supt. of Education	406.32	
State Treasurer, School Superintendents	2,053.32	
Town of Hawley, Tuition	3,600.00	
Town of Heath, Tuition	1,360.00	
Town of Rowe, Tuition	1,200.00	
Town of Savoy, Tuition	240.00	
Stephen Leonard School Fund Interest	92.42	
High School Athletics Funds	1,340.86	
Allyn-Bacon Inc. - Overpayment	8.00	
		$ 31,670.38

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

State Treasurer, O.A.A. State	$ 13,044.79	
State Treasurer, O.A.A. Federal	11,421.50	
State Treasurer, A.D.C. State	1,009.61	
State Treasurer, A.D.C. Federal	1,163.00	
State Treasurer, D.A. State	4.32	
Town of Buckland, O.A.A.	190.69	
Town of Deerfield, O.A.A.	680.53	
Town of Williamsburg, General Relief	8.51	
Town of Colrain, General Relief	21.06	
General Relief Recovery	99.38	
O.A.A. cancelled checks	58.20	
		$ 27,701.59

TAXES

1956 Motor Excise	$ 13.83	
1957 Farm Animal Excise	10.50	
1957 Real Estate	338.83	
1957 Motor Excise	196.44	
1957 Personal	14.00	

1957 Poll	6.00	
1958 Farm Animal Excise	11.13	
1958 Real Estate	1,032.13	
1958 Motor Excise	347.30	
1958 Personal	47.12	
1958 Poll	8.00	
1959 Farm Animal Excise	23.38	
1959 Real Estate	7,520.87	
1959 Motor Excise	4,453.61	
1959 Personal	864.36	
1959 Poll	38.00	
1960 Farm Animal Excise	256.59	
1960 Real Estate	80,036.42	
1960 Motor Excise	7,645.14	
1960 Personal	9,950.85	
1960 Poll	406.00	
Interest	413.39	
Poll Tax Demands	7.00	
Poll Tax Warrants	8.50	
Collector's Demands	199.10	
Collector's Warrants	108.00	
		$113,956.49
		$304,584.61

DISBURSEMENTS

Selectmen's Warrants	$214,685.62	
School Warrants	44,447.70	
Athletic Warrants	1,446.72	
General Cash in Treasury, December 31, 1960	44,004.57	
		$304,584.61

TRUST FUNDS HELD BY TREASURER

Fred W. Hawkes Library Fund	$ 1,000.00
Maxwell Library Fund	1,000.00
Tyler Memorial Library Fund	3,043.87
Stephen Leonard School Fund	2,869.00
Potter Cemetery Fund	1,000.00
Jennie Z. & Lewis Sears Cemetery Fund	500.00
M. Mantor & J. Lyman Cemetery Fund	500.00
S. W. Hawkes Cemetery Fund	200.00
Frank M. Legate Cemetery Fund	200.00
Philomen Rice Cemetery Fund	185.74

Respectfully submitted,
BEDA A. LANGEVIN,
Treasurer

Town Expenditures

WESTERN FRANKLIN WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	$ 664.00	
Western Franklin Welfare District		$ 664.00
	$ 664.00	$ 664.00

WESTERN FRANKLIN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Town Appropriation	$ 1,800.00	
Western Franklin Public Health District		$ 1,800.00
	$ 1,800.00	$ 1,800.00

TOWN HALL

Town Appropriation	$ 1,800.00	
Salary of Janitor		$ 720.00
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		160.07
Charlemont Oil Co.		671.63
Repairs		34.45
Supplies		48.72
Commissioner of Public Safety		10.00
Credit Balance		155.13
	$ 1,800.00	$ 1,800.00

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Appropriation	$ 4,450.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	144.03	
Salary of Selectmen		$ 900.00
Salary of Town Clerk		450.00
Salary of Town Treasurer		1,000.00
Salary of Tax Collector		600.00
Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures		75.00
Salary of Two Assessors		500.00
Salary of Clerk Assessors (8 months) (Donald Raymond)		250.00
Balance of salary of Clerk Assessor (Daniel Wheeler)		100.00

Salary of Fire Chief		100.00
Moderator		10.00
Inspector of Animals		75.00
Inspector of Slaughtering		25.03
Dog Officer		15.00
Ballot Clerks and Tellers		194.00
Posting Town Meeting Warrants		12.00
Clerk to Town Officers		
Beda A. Langevin		284.50
Clerical Services		
Dorothy Hawkes		5.50
	$ 4,594.03	$ 4,594.03

STREET LIGHTS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,625.04	
No. Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 1,625.04
	$ 1,625.04	$ 1,625.04

LEGION ROOMS

Town Appropriation	$ 240.00	
I.O.O.F. Union Lodge - rent		$ 240.00
	$ 240.00	$ 240.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Town Appropriation	$ 50.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	4.20	
Flags		$ 19.20
Wreaths		35.00
	$ 54.20	$ 54.20

BOARD OF HEALTH

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	87.52	
Franklin Co. Board of Health Assn.		$ 6.00
Farren Memorial Hospital		50.00
Dr. Merritt B. Low		180.00
Mrs. Vesta E. Coombs		71.04
Mrs. Roslyn P. McIntosh		63.92
Mrs. Winifred Spear		16.56
	$ 387.52	$ 387.52

GYPSY MOTH AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE SUPPRESSION

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Roy A. Hicks		$ 234.89
Norman Hicks		12.00
Richard Hicks		52.50
Credit Balance		.61
	$ 300.00	$ 300.00

BONDING TOWN OFFICERS

Town Appropriation	$ 210.00	
Henry Hicks Insurance Agency		$ 180.00
Credit Balance		30.00
	$ 210.00	$ 210.00

INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 2,040.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	91.56	
Workmen's Compensation (Langevin Ins. Agency)		$ 1,139.22
Town Property Insurance (Langevin Ins. Agency)		637.48
Liability Ins. on Town Vehicles (Langevin Ins. Agency)		354.86
	$ 2,131.56	$ 2,131.56

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 844.53	
Franklin Co. Retirement System		$ 844.53
	$ 844.53	$ 844.53

CHRISTMAS FUND

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Cariddi Sales Co.		$ 77.92
A. L. Avery & Son		4.48
Eva Porrovecchio		10.00
Credit Balance		7.60
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

OLD CEMETERIES

Town Appropriation	$ 35.00	
Charles Purinton		$ 35.00
	$ 35.00	$ 35.00

CARE OF INDIGENT PERSONS GRAVES LEAVITT CEMETERY

Town Appropriation	$ 30.00	
Leavitt Cemetery Association		$ 30.00
	$ 30.00	$ 30.00

EAST CHARLEMONT SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 75.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	2.14	
No. Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 18.14
Labor and Materials for Painting Shed		48.00
Repairing Wall		11.00
	$ 77.14	$ 77.14

HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Town Appropriation	$ 57,657.81	
Hawlemont Regional School District		$ 57,657.81
	$ 57,657.81	$ 57,657.81

INTEREST

Town Appropriation	$ 520.00	
Shelburne Falls National Bank		$ 518.50
Credit Balance		1.50
	$ 520.00	$ 520.00

TOWN HISTORY

Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Re-Appropriated from 1958	500.00	
Credit Balance		$ 1,000.00
	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Town Appropriation	$ 25.00	
Department of Education, Div. of Vocational Education		$ 14.00
Credit Balance		11.00
	$ 25.00	$ 25.00

SNOW ROADS AND BRIDGES

Town Appropriation	$ 7,800.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	15.15	
Superintendent		$ 1,041.60
Labor Payroll		2,972.55
Town Equipment		3,102.00
Sand		405.00
Salt		294.00
	$ 7,815.15	$ 7,815.15

CHAPTER 81

Town Appropriation	$ 2,350.00	
State Contract	12,925.00	
Superintendent		$ 1,406.40
Labor Payroll		5,281.70
Town Equipment		3,664.67
Hired Equipment		1,700.50
Gravel		1,280.80
Culverts		353.76
Grit		374.56
Tar		1,138.31
Grade Stakes		20.00
Dynamite Caps & Insurance		54.30
	$ 15,275.00	$ 15,275.00

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Special Grant from State	$ 2,500.00	
Superintendent		$ 230.00
Labor Payroll		653.65
Town Equipment		517.57
Sand		494.55
Salt		108.00
Gravel		3.75
MC-2 Mix		30.90
Repair of Bridge		23.20

Compressor, Dynamite, Caps & Inc.		110.78
Guard Rail		327.60
	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Re-appropriation	1,000.00	
State Contract	2,000.00	
County Contract	2,000.00	
Superintendent		$ 332.40
Labor Payroll		1,073.10
Town Equipment		995.60
Grit and Sand		677.67
Tar and Patch		1,833.98
Hired Equipment		216.00
Guard Rail		871.25
	$ 6,000.00	$ 6,000.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION - SOUTH RIVER ROAD

Town Appropriation	$ 4,500.00	
State Contract	9,000.00	
County Contract	4,500.00	
Superintendent		$ 1,119.10
Labor Payroll		4,463.30
Town Equipment		3,741.50
Hired Equipment		5,296.50
Culverts		2,092.28
Gravel		1,167.57
Dynamite and Caps		119.75
	$ 18,000.00	$ 18,000.00

TOWN DUMP

Town Appropriation	$ 175.00	
Horace E. Warfield		$ 18.00
Labor Payroll		12.80
Town Equipment		28.00
Credit Balance		116.20
	$ 175.00	$ 175.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT VACATIONS

Town Appropriation	$ 750.00	
Superintendent		$ 171.00
Labor Payroll		549.00
Credit Balance		30.00
	$ 750.00	$ 750.00

FAIRGROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	$ 100.00	
Labor Payroll		$ 52.01
Credit Balance		47.99
	$ 100.00	$ 100.00

MACHINERY

Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	$ 6,000.00	
Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	500.00	
Town Appropriation (From Road Machinery Fund)	2,600.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	17.32	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 19.97
Christine Turner - rent		300.00
Gasoline		1,599.52
Oil		340.99
Diesel Fuel		116.73
Kerosene		29.61
Miscellaneous Parts		1,033.07
Miscellaneous Repairs		1,901.83
Lubrication		108.06
Tires and Tubes		368.60
Cross Chain		355.46
Chain Saw		276.23
Paint		54.25
Vehicle Registration Fees		18.00
Hubbs Engine Company		2,395.00
C. W. Ward Inc.		200.00
	$ 9,117.32	$ 9,117.32

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Town Appropriation	$ 4,000.00	
Three Cases		$ 2,772.04
Credit Balance		1,227.96
	$ 4,000.00	$ 4,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Town Appropriation	$ 1,900.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	584.81	
Selectmen's Expense		$ 77.77
Town Clerk's Expense		12.26
Treasurer's Expense		292.97
Assessors' Expense		363.57
Tax Collector's Expense		188.70
Sealer of Weights & Measures Expense		8.71
Greenfield Recorder Gazette		52.50
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		149.74
Office Expense		71.05
Frank J. Wells - water rent		35.00
Avis Churchill		6.00
Town Reports and Postage		518.75
Ballots		30.10
Maps of Charlemont		78.37
Lawrence S. Tinney		29.00
Dinners for Queens, Yankee Doodle Days		23.37
No. Berk. Electric Co. - bridge lights		89.29
Commonwealth of Mass., certification fee		2.00
Registrars		86.50
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett & Trudell		342.40
Boston & Maine Railroad		26.76
	$ 2,484.81	$ 2,484.81

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	130.88	
Commissioner of Public Safety		$ 10.00
Insurance for Police Department		100.00
Cyrus C. Annear, Sr.		244.33
Norman W. Hawkes		38.25
Harold Shumway		18.00
Cyrus C. Annear, Jr.		8.25
Leon Turner - mounting siren		12.05
	$ 430.88	$ 430.88

MEMORIAL PARK

Town Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Carried forward from 1959 account	500.00	
E. H. Hartley		$ 1,000.00
	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Town Appropriation	$ 2,300.00	
Northern Berkshire Electric Co.		$ 30.00
Charlemont Oil Company		260.56
Labor Payroll		445.55
Equipment		638.13
Repairs		86.30
Lubrication		3.65
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		203.33
Mrs. Leora Howes		365.00
Tri-State Mutual Aid, dues		10.00
Land-Air Communication Service		12.00
Kemp Gibson		17.00
Insurance for Firemen		178.50
Credit Balance		49.98
	$ 2,300.00	$ 2,300.00

TYLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Town Appropriation	$ 530.00	
Interest from Maxwell Library Fund	32.76	
Interest from Fred W. Hawkes Fund	31.25	
Interest from Tyler Mem. Trust Fund	298.22	
Library Fines	2.30	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	2.25	
Librarian's Salary		$ 350.00
Merrill R. Pollinger Co.		23.00
American Publishing Corporation		15.15
Roadside Bookshop		35.64
Campbell and Hall, Inc.		306.04
Gaylord Brothers, Inc.		14.35
Robert Bentley, Inc.		15.52
Moore Cottrell Subscription Agencies		48.40
Random House, Inc.		21.74
Nathaniel Dame & Co.		38.90

Mariner Books		2.59
Miscellaneous Books		25.45
	$ 896.78	$ 896.78

BUTTONBALL SPRING

Town Appropriation	$ 25.00	
Credit Balance		$ 25.00
	$ 25.00	$ 25.00

WITHHOLDING TAX

Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 5,072.58
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	336.71

FRANKLIN COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND

Franklin County Retirement System	$ 851.05

BLUE CROSS - BLUE SHIELD

Blue Cross - Blue Shield	$ 1,170.15

WESTERN FRANKLIN VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER

Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center	$ 427.00

CEMETERY FUNDS

Treasurer, Leavitt Cemetery	$ 13.10
Treasurer, Village Cemetery	71.33
	$ 84.43

STATE AND CITY TAXES

State Treasurer, Auditing Town Accounts	$ 775.63
State Treasurer, Parks & Reservations	506.06
County Treasurer, Dog Licenses	255.00
County Treasurer, County Tax	6,557.77
	$ 8,094.46

DOG OFFICER EXPENSE

Dog Officer's Expense	$ 74.00

WILDCAT BOUNTY

Two Bounties	$ 20.00

REPAYMENT OF LOAN

Shelburne Falls National Bank	$ 25,925.00

COLLECTOR'S DEMANDS

Tax Collector's Demands and Warrants	$ 307.10

MOTOR EXCISE REFUNDS

Ten Refunds for 1959	$ 82.04
Twenty-eight Refunds for 1960	436.63
	$ 518.67

RESERVE FUND

Town Appropriation from Overlay Surplus	$ 2,500.00	
Police Department		$ 130.88
Memorial Day		4.20
Board of Health		87.52
Insurance		91.56
Miscellaneous		584.80
Officers' Salaries		146.03
East Charlemont School		2.14
Tyler Memorial Library		2.25
Snow, Roads and Bridges		15.15
Credit Balance		1,435.47
	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00

Recapitulation

HIGHWAYS		
Snow, Roads and Bridges	$ 7,815.15	
Chapter 81	15,275.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,500.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	6,000.00	
Chapter 90 Construction	18,000.00	
Highway Department Vacations	720.00	
Machinery	9,117.32	
		$ 59,427.47
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
Welfare	$ 318.87	
Veterans' Benefits	2,772.04	
Old Age Assistance	27,279.03	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,943.77	
Western Franklin Welfare District	664.00	
Western Franklin Veterans' Center	427.00	
		$ 33,404.71
HEALTH		
Western Franklin Public Health Dist.	$ 1,800.00	
Board of Health	387.52	
Town Dump	58.80	
		$ 2,246.32
ADMINISTRATION		
Town Hall	$ 1,644.87	
Officers' Salaries	4,594.03	
Miscellaneous	2,484.81	
Interest	518.50	
Employees Retirement Fund	844.53	
Auditing Accounts	775.63	
		$ 10,862.37
PUBLIC SAFETY		
Police Department	$ 430.88	
Fire Department	2,250.02	
Street Lights	1,625.04	
		$ 4,305.94

TAXES		
State Parks and Reservations	$ 506.06	
County Dog Tax	255.00	
County Tax	6,557.77	
		$ 7,318.83
INSURANCE		
Bonding Town Officers	$ 180.00	
Workmen's Compensation	1,139.22	
Town Property Insurance	637.48	
Liability Insurance on Town Vehicles	354.86	
		$ 2,311.56
TYLER LIBRARY		
Tyler Memorial Library	$ 896.78	
SCHOOLS		
Hawlemont Regional School Dist.	57,657.81	
		$ 58,554.59
ALL OTHER EXPENSES		
Memorial Day	$ 54.20	
Christmas Fund	92.40	
Gypsy Moth & Dutch Elm Disease Suppression	299.39	
Old Cemeteries	35.00	
Care of Indigent Persons Graves, Leavitt Cemetery	30.00	
Legion	240.00	
East Charlemont School	77.14	
Fairgrounds Maintenance	52.01	
Civilian Defense	14.00	
Memorial Park	1,000.00	
		$ 1,894.14
SPECIAL		
Withholding Taxes (deductions)	$ 5,409.29	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield (deductions)	1,170.15	
Franklin Co. Retirement (deductions)	851.05	
Treasurers, Village & Leavitt Cem.	84.43	
Dog Officer's Expense	74.00	
Wildcat Bounties	20.00	
Repayment of Loan	25,925.00	
Collector's Demands	307.10	
Tax Refunds	518.67	
		$ 34,359.69
TOTAL		$214,685.62

MACHINERY EARNINGS — TOWN OF CHARLEMONT

Snow, Roads and Bridges	$ 3,078.00	
Chapter 81	3,664.67	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,513.17	
Chapter 90 Construction	3,741.50	
Town Dump	28.00	
		$ 12,025.34

MACHINERY EARNINGS — OUT OF TOWN

Town of Buckland	$ 64.00	
Town of Hawley	155.00	
Town of Rowe	76.50	
		$ 295.50

Finance Committee Report

We hereby submit the 12th Annual Report of the Finance Committee. During the year authorization has been given several times for the transfer of money from the reserve fund to other accounts. Record of these transfers can be found in the Town Expenditures.

The Committee has worked with the Selectmen in preparation of the 1961 budget and have arrived at the figures in the annual town warrant, which are lower with the exception of the School Budget than last year.

D. A. LANOUE
LESLIE F. VINCENT
ANN E. DOYLE

Report of the Road Superintendent

Snow Roads and Bridges - $7,800.00

During this year we have plowed 108 inches of snow, 45 inches more than the government standard for this locality and spread 2015 yards of sand on the roads to keep them in passable condition most of the time.

It was necessary to use $1,200 of Chapter 81 money plus the $2,500 state money and 40 tons of salt and chloride donated to the town for this purpose.

Chapter 81 - $15,275.00

On maintenance we have scraped, drained, cut brush, tar patched and seal coated the various roads. Nearly all the dirt roads were scraped four times with a limited amount of drainage. The hard surface roads were tar patched and drained.

It was necessary to seal coat portions of the following roads, Mountain 2,000 feet, Legate Hill - 2500 feet, Riddell 500 feet, West Oxbow - 600 feet, River View - 600 feet, Hawkes - 600 feet and Maple Terrace - 500 feet. The allocation of Chapter 81 Budget will be in the Town Report.

Chapter 90 Maintenance - $6,000.00

This money must be spent on Chapter 90 roads, namely Zoar, Rowe, West Hawley, East Hawley, South River, North Heath, Heath and North River.

These roads have been patched, drained and the following were seal coated, North Heath - 2700 feet, East Hawley 3000 feet and West Hawley - 5300 feet. The remainder of the money was spent on Flex Beam Guard Rail for the Zoar Road.

Chapter 90 Construction - $18,000.00

This $18,000. was spent on the South River Road from the John McHaffie residence to the Buckland Town Line, on drainage, grading and gravelling according to the State Plan, with 2650 feet of road being improved.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL C. HEIST,

Road Superintendent

Charlemont 1960 Chapter 81 Distribution

Road No.	Scraping	Gravelling	Drainage	Brush	Patching Bitum.	Tar	Slides	Perm.	TOTALS
1. Zoar			54.17	22.00					76.17
2. Rowe				12.00					12.00
3. N. Heath			122.50	22.00			204.80		349.30
4. Vincent	80.00		30.00	6.00					116.00
5. Warner Hill #1	175.00	170.40	10.00						355.40
6. Warner Hill #2	226.90	825.50	190.60						825.50
9. Burrington	120.00		25.00	6.00				1,146.80	1,297.80
10. Center Heath									
11. Mountain	375.00	596.15	178.10	17.00	140.30	430.00			1,736.55
12. Mt. Rd. Br.	22.00								22.00
13. S. Heath	50.00		5.00						55.00
14. Birch Lane	15.00								15.00
15. Mine									
16. Maxwell	295.00	857.40	217.50	17.00					1,386.90
17. Woods									
18. Hicks	105.00		5.00						110.00
19. Legate Hill	236.00	70.00	160.00	17.00	100.00	562.87		2,313.90	3,459.77
20. Phipps	15.00								15.00
21. Laurel Lane	15.00								15.00
22. Potters	25.00								25.00
23. Tower	144.00		35.00	14.00		125.00			318.00
24. Ledge Lane	30.00	175.00	25.00						230.00
25. Todd Mt.									
26. Cold River									
28. West Hawley			127.00	22.00					149.00
29. Chickley	25.00								25.00
30. S. Chickley	15.00								15.00
31. South River	180.00		57.50	22.00			100.00		359.50
32. Dodge Corner									

33. East Hawley		25.00	12.00			37.00
34. Warfield		55.00		100.00		155.00
35. Colonial Hill				10.00		10.00
36. Riddell	50.00	55.00		50.00	137.50	292.50
37. High		105.00		15.50		120.50
38. Heath		25.00	17.00			42.00
39. Burnt Hill	113.25	75.00				188.25
40. West Oxbow	285.00	100.00	17.00	150.00		552.00
41. East Oxbow	145.00	65.00	5.00	10.00		225.00
42. River View			4.00	50.00	137.50	191.50
43. North River		28.10	16.00		12.50	56.60
44. Colrain	25.00		4.00	10.00		39.00
45. Johnson	11.50	100.00	4.00			115.50
46. South St.		30.00		10.00		40.00
47. East Harmony		30.00		10.00		40.00
48. North St.		30.00				30.00
49. Academy Lane		25.00		10.00		35.00
50. Elm St.		25.00		10.00		35.00
51. Mill Hollow	25.00					25.00
52. Harmony Ave.		30.00		10.00		40.00
53. Rice Fort		30.00		10.00		40.00
54. Park St.						
55. Factory	15.00					15.00
56. School St.		30.00		10.00		40.00
57. Hawks				25.00	125.00	150.00
58. Rowe Branch						
59. Maple Terrace		10.00		10.00	137.50	157.50
60. Windy Hill						
61. Hillandale		20.00		10.00		30.00
Snow and Ice						1,250.00
Culverts						353.76
					TOTAL	$15,275.00

Town Clerk's Report

1960

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

1960	Name	Parents
Jan. 21	Nancy Marie Bellows	Cecil George Bellows Jessie Evelyn Ferron
Jan. 27	Scott Robert Purinton	Raymond Alvin Purinton Esther Janet White
Jan. 31	Darlene Elaine Coates Marlene Lorraine Coates	Allen McClure Coates Sylvia Angel Baxter
Feb. 4	Jennifer Crystal Shaw	Lincoln Hilliard Shaw Margaret Lillian Rogers
Feb. 9	Tina Marie Rice	Robert Louis Rice Gail Ann Copley
Mar. 20	Douglas Sterling Annear Debra Susan Annear	Cyrus Cobden Annear, Jr. Lucille Elizabeth Peters
Mar. 25	Douglas Lawrence Dean	Fred Ernest Dean Blanch Mary Yarter
May 14	Robert James Willard	Theodore Melvin Willard Susanne Amelia Rice
May 23	Dorothy Jane Dyer	George Blanding Dyer Janet Elizabeth Spencer
June 15	Ellen Louise Tanner	Graydon Edwin Tanner Dorothy Frances Yankowski
June 17	Infant Woodard	Richard F. Woodard Ruth E. Lanoue
Aug. 4	Wayde Lewis Porrovecchio	Lewis William Porrovecchio Marjorie Ann Bellor
Aug. 24	Vicki Jo Lyman	Stephen Burt Lyman Joan Marie Gassett
Sept. 21	Joel Alan Rice	Kenneth Ralph Rice Marie Madeleine Metelica
Oct. 7	Roger Fay Giffin	Harry Frank Giffin, Jr. Marion Cora Andrew
Oct. 19	Sharon Annette Montressor	Francis Albert Montressor Carol Ann Hamblen
Oct. 21	Valerie Bliss	Verne Ellsworth Bliss Janet Albee
Oct. 21	Bruce Elliott Pleshaw	Gervin Douglas Pleshaw Gladys Arlene Griswold
Nov. 26	Linda Marie Yarrows	Leonard Anthony Yarrows Mary Lydia Kouniotis

Dec. 7	Barbara Ann MacLean	Wallace Sterling MacLean Leona Ada Maynard
Dec. 27	Jerry Robert Rice	Robert L. Rice Gail A. Copley

COMPARISON TABLE OF BIRTHS

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
14	15	20	14	23

MARRIAGES

1960	Name	Residence
Apr. 12	Charles Dennison Fassett Bessie (Legate) Kimball Stark	Greenfield, Mass. Charlemont, Mass.
Oct. 15	Clayburn Rich, III Priscilla Boullie	Hawley, Mass. Charlemont, Mass.
Nov. 19	Donald George Smith Rosalie C. Godzina	Charlemont, Mass. Charlemont, Mass.

COMPARISON TABLE OF MARRIAGES

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
9	10	14	7	3

DEATHS

1960	Name	Yrs.	Mo.	Days
Feb. 19	Mary Cook	79	4	8
Feb. 24	Irvin James Harris	61	5	24
Mar. 4	Charlotte Ann Porrovecchio	1	3	14
Mar. 28	Edward Gilbert	78	4	6
May 9	Chloie (Esterbrook) Whipple	77	9	8
May 17	Arthur C. Willis	68	1	2
June 3	Norman Eugene Adams	84	3	23
July 29	Peter J. Muller	73	11	17
Aug. 11	Vara Lyman Turner	78	1	19
Nov. 1	Bessie May (Herron) Wakefield	69	5	28

COMPARISON TABLE OF DEATH

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
15	12	11	12	10

345 FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED

4 ARCHERY DEER STAMPS

9	Resident Citizen Sporting Licenses to persons seventy or more years old		Free
2	Resident Citizen Fishing Licenses to the Blind and (Old Age Asst.)		Free
52	Resident Citizen Fishing Licenses @ $4.25		$ 221.00
110	Resident Citizen Hunting Licenses @ $4.25		467.50
76	Resident Citizen Sporting Licenses @ $7.25		551.00
16	Resident Citizen Minor Fishing Licenses @ $2.25		36.00
39	Resident Citizen Female Fishing Licenses @ $3.25		126.75
1	Resident Citizen Trapping License @ $7.75		7.75
19	Special Non-Resident Fishing Licenses @ $4.75		80.75
9	Non-Resident Citizen Fishing Licenses @ $8.75		78.75
5	Non-Resident Citizen Hunting Licenses @ $15.25		76.25
6	Duplicate Licenses @ 50c		3.00
4	Archery Deer Stamps @ $1.10		4.40
	Paid Division of Fisheries and Game	$ 1,571.00	
	Fees retained	82.15	
			$ 1,653.15

113 DOG LICENSES ISSUED — 2 KENNEL LICENSES

69	Male Dog Licenses @ $2.00		$ 138.00
6	Female Dog Licenses @ $5.00		30.00
38	Spayed Female Dog Licenses @ $2.00		76.00
1	Kennel License @ $10.00		10.00
1	Kennel License @ $25.00		25.00
	Paid Town Treasurer	$ 250.25	
	Fees retained	28.75	
			$ 279.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER,
Town Clerk

Assessor's Report

In accordance with the expressed wishes of the town, the usual list of property valuations is included in this report. We have also included a copy of our work sheet showing the method of computing the tax rate.

Donald W. Raymond resigned from the Board in March, having moved out of town. Daniel G. Wheeler was appointed to fill the unexpired term. Don was a very conscientious Assessor, and served the town well.

As outlined in the 1959 report, a town-wide revaluation has been underway throughout the year. This has necessitated a great deal of preliminary work, most of which has now been accomplished. Approximately one third of the parcels of property have been reviewed and new values established. Owners have been notified of any changes made. It is gratifying to report that in a large majority of instances we have had full cooperation from property owners and only a small fraction have expressed dissatisfaction with the end results. We expect to complete the revaluation within the coming year. Until that time, buildings will continue to be assessed at the 40% fractional value which has been in effect. However, it seems to us that the case for full value assessing is a strong one and we still intend to shift to that basis as soon as revaluation is complete, hopefully in 1962.

Early in the year we sent out a questionnaire to 310 property owners of record. This concerned assessing policy in general and attempted to find out how well it is understood. The return was disappointingly small, about 25%. However, the replies indicated a large majority in favor of the policies which we have already laid down. It seems fair to infer that most of those who couldn't be bothered with answering the questionnaire are satisfied with the policies indicated.

As fast as possible we are establishing uniform values for house lots, depending upon their location, and uniform values for land throughout the town.

There will be an article in the Warrant asking the town to join the so-called State System of assessing. The cost is a flat $50.00 per year and provides for general assistance

from the State Bureau of Local Assessing in establishing values, maintaining proper records and general conduct of our office. We believe that this will be of great value to the town, and urge its acceptance. The plan may be dropped at any time the town wishes and there is nothing in it which could be construed as State dictation in local affairs.

We again express our appreciation to the many townspeople whose constructive approach to our problems has been of great help, and urge everyone to come to our meetings and discuss any matters of general or particular concern.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN W. HAWKES
WINSTON HEALY
DANIEL G. WHEELER
Assessors

METHOD OF DETERMINING 1960 TAX RATE

Total appropriation to be raised by taxation	$171,606.23	
Total appropriations voted from available funds	11,565.00	
State Assessments		
State Parks and Reservations	397.07	
Audit of Municipal Accounts	775.63	
County Assessments		
County Tax	6,240.63	
1959 Underestimate	106.14	
Overlay of current year	3,489.85	
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED		$194,180.55
Estimated receipts and available funds		
Income Tax	$ 18,316.54	
Corporation Taxes	4,275.48	
Reimbursement for public land	1,123.25	
Old Age Tax	951.73	

Motor Vehicle Excise	9,000.00	
Licenses	2,900.00	
Fines	50.00	
General government	600.00	
Protection of persons and property	200.00	
Charities	2,600.00	
Old Age Assistance	17,950.00	
Veterans' Services	950.00	
School	10,900.00	
Interest on taxes	700.00	
Farm animal excise	250.00	
Trailer coach park fees	500.00	
Overestimate State Parks	44.38	
Amount voted from available funds	11,565.00	
Amount voted from free cash to reduce levy	10,000.00	
Total estimated receipts and available funds		$ 92,876.38
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION		$101,304.17

Total Valuation		**Amount Produced**
249 polls		$ 498.00
Personal Property	$ 170,110.00	10,716.93
Real Estate	1,429,988.00	90,089.24
Tax Rate: $63.00	$1,600,098.00	$101,304.17

VALUATION LIST

The Charlemont Board of Assessors report the following valuation for 1960.

	Personal	Real
Adams, Carroll E.	$ 190.00	
Adams, Dorothy		$ 4,340.00
Adams, Dorothy		120.00
Adams, Glenn E. & Dorothy L.		7,020.00
Adams, N. Eugene & Eva M.		5,025.00
Adams, N. Eugene & Eva M.		120.00
Adler, Carl E.	400.00	
Adler, Pearl I. & Carl B.		6,650.00
Adler, Ralph E. & Florence B.		300.00
Albee, John E.		1,300.00
Allis, Lawrence D. & Patricia M.		2,430.00
Aldrich, Allie C.		800.00
Amidon, Vesta Sawyer		4,900.00
Amidon, Vesta Sawyer		1,045.00
Anderson, Augusta L.	100.00	1,595.00
Anderson, Raymond A.	3,150.00	150.00
Andrews, Warren M.	70.00	
Andrews, Warren W. & Irene		1,780.00
Angeli, Augusto Est. & Emma		3,420.00
Annear, Cyrus E. & Lillian W.		4,145.00
Anthony, Arthur J.		200.00
Askew, Doris A. & Frank, Mildred H.		4,110.00
Atwater, Lois Healy		7,745.00
Avery, A. L. & Son	14,200.00	
Avery, Francis W. Est.		5,770.00
Avery, Francis W. Est.		1,700.00
Avery, Henry L.		12,220.00
Avery, Henry L.		5,335.00
Avery, Henry L.		2,670.00
Avery, Henry L.		2,570.00
Avery, Henry L.		375.00
Avery, Henry L. Jr.		4,615.00
Babcock, Henry E. & Daniel H.	50.00	1,000.00
Babcock, Henry E. & Daniel H.		100.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		6,045.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		300.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		660.00
Ballard, Ruth K., Barbara & David K.		810.00
Bannish, John E.		200.00

	Personal	Real
Bannish, John E.		325.00
Bannish, John E.		900.00
Barrett, Earl B. & Ella M.	2,000.00	14,700.00
Baxter, Charles M.	40.00	1,510.00
Bedaw, Beverly A.		1,100.00
Bicknell, Fred O.		3,625.00
Bilhoefer, John A. & Ruthetta S.	450.00	3,025.00
Bissland, James H.	95.00	
Bissland, James H. & Elsie		7,395.00
Blann, Stanley & Marjorie		650.00
Bliss, Marion E.		2,750.00
Bliss, Verne E.	40.00	
Bliss, Verne E. & Janet A.		3,890.00
Booth, Harold L.	20.00	
Booth, Robert	50.00	280.00
Booth, William H.		745.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		19,165.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		285.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		550.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		6,850.00
Boston & Maine Railroad		600.00
Bowen, Helen M.		4,810.00
Boullie, William J.	750.00	
Boullie, William J. & Anna T.		2,750.00
Boullie, William J. & Anna T.		675.00
Brant, James & Lorna D.		3,825.00
Brant, James & Lorna D.		2,350.00
Breen, Roy H.		3,230.00
Bremer, Ruth M.		4,315.00
Brown, Frank S. & Rita H.		2,270.00
Burger, Celia L.	75.00	1,240.00
Burnett, Arnold K.	30.00	
Burnett, Arnold K. & Lucy E.		2,540.00
Burnett, Norman A.	115.00	
Burnett, Norman A. & Phyllis J.		3,870.00
Burnett, Wilbur L.	155.00	
Burnett, Wilbur L. & Lena D.		3,470.00
Burnett, William R.	20.00	
Burnett, William R. & Marion A.		110.00
Burrington, Frederick W. & Summer, Ralph C.		640.00
Burrington, Lawrence E.	75.00	
Burt, Harold A. & Marie		3,865.00
Burt, William R.		4,950.00

	Personal	Real
Callanan, Charles L. & Valida A.	50.00	1,300.00
Carpenter, Mary L.		2,980.00
Carlson, John R.	1,600.00	4,435.00
Carroll, Fred W. & Louise		4,350.00
Carroll, Fred W. & Louise		3,900.00
Carroll Lumber Co.	4,150.00	
Cavanough, Edward J. & Ruth L.	200.00	
Cavanagh, Ellen M.		6,610.00
Cetto, Enrico, Est.		3,145.00
Charlemont Plantation, Inc.		4,415.00
Churchill, Avis M.		2,900.00
Churchill, Merrett H.		100.00
Clark, Edwin R.	30.00	
Clark, Gladys C.		6,085.00
Clark, Francis J., Lawrence A. & Horace T.		4,510.00
Clark, Horace T.		6,340.00
Clark, Inez T.		6,285.00
Clark, Lawrence A.		4,500.00
Coates, Allen M. & Sylvia B.		745.00
Connelly, Edgar A. & Julia V.	100.00	1,440.00
Connolly, Joseph P.	100.00	2,090.00
Cowls, W. D., Inc.		688.00
Cronk, Paul B.	60.00	
Cronk, Paul B. & Irene Louise		1,890.00
Dally, Aristides K.	1,150.00	22,865.00
Davenport, Carlton P.		80.00
Davenport, Carlton P.		1,000.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		1,520.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		175.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		400.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		790.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		750.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		1,430.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		2,130.00
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		400.00
Davenport, James P.		375.00
Davenport, Louis A. & Ellan A.		3,370.00
Davenport, William A.		400.00
Dean, Fred E. & Blanche Y.		2,800.00
Dean, Fred E. & Blanche Y.		50.00
Dean, Russell F.	20.00	
Dean, Russell & Irene		2,285.00
DeBenedetto, Salvatore & Marion	50.00	500.00

	Personal	Real
Deerfield Glassine Co.		1,500.00
Deerfield Glassine Co.		14,745.00
Dickinson, Alice G.	50.00	3,150.00
Dickinson, Edgar G.	50.00	
Dickinson, Edgar G. & Ruth A.		2,285.00
Dickinson, Richard R. & Ethel May		3,370.00
Dickinson, Richard R. & Ethel May		250.00
Dimick, George H. & Ella Joyce		3,625.00
Dimick, John H.		2,375.00
Dimick, John H.		2,450.00
Dion, Jennie M. & William H.	100.00	1,100.00
Dunlop, Leslie R. & Marion E.	630.00	1,740.00
Dyer, Alfred H. & Olga S.		1,210.00
Dyer, George B. & Janet E.		2,345.00
Earle, Ralph		940.00
Elliott, William S.	50.00	600.00
Ellsworth, Bernice S.		2,790.00
Ellsworth, Horace E. & Bernice S.		3,710.00
Ellsworth, Horace E.	1,400.00	160.00
Falandes, Maximilian P. & Katherine		6,335.00
Feder, Sydney J. & Ethel E.		4,445.00
Fisk, Emma W.		5,030.00
Fitzroy, Alton P. Jr. & Lois M.		4,120.00
Foley, Joseph M.		7,090.00
Foliated Talc Company		200.00
Formosi, Diomede	155.00	
Formosi, Ellen Ellery		2,700.00
Forsberg, Harold S.		6,050.00
Fox, George M. & Helen D.	100.00	2,950.00
Fox, George M. & Helen D.		110.00
Frame, Ralph I. & Nellie E.	50.00	480.00
Fusco, William et al	50.00	1,000.00
Galvin, Leon R. & Doris M.		2,460.00
Gibson, Herbert D. & Constance D.	200.00	3,150.00
Gibson, Kemp C. & Bernice M.	150.00	1,500.00
Gibson, Kemp C. & Bernice M.		1,300.00
Giffin, Harry F. Jr.	40.00	3,840.00
Giffin, Newell S. & Gail I.		5,100.00
Gilbert, Fred J. & Marjorie E.		4,210.00
Gilbert, George J. & Aldea M.		3,720.00
Gilbert, Mabel H. & Charlie J.		4,545.00
Gleason, Francis		455.00
Goddard, S. Stuart & Anne E.		10,610.00
Goddard, S. Stuart	1,150.00	

	Personal	Real
Godzina, Joseph & Wanda M.		12,540.00
Goodnow, Lewis W. & Florence L.		2,365.00
Goodwin, Charles W. & Katherine		4,750.00
Gorman, Roy S.		3,295.00
Gould, Albert L. & Dorothy M.		8,585.00
Gould, Grace C.		5,365.00
Gould, Syril G.	2,850.00	
Gould, Syril G. & Hazel M.		8,870.00
Gray, Charlotte, et al	75.00	700.00
Greenfield Co-operative Bank		1,900.00
Gribbon, George H.	370.00	
Gribbon, George H. & Barbara		3,605.00
Grover, Albina A.		4,320.00
Hall, C. S.	500.00	
Hallahan, William E.	2,000.00	7,095.00
Halligan, Burdette & Mable D.		3,405.00
Hamilton, Evelyn C.		3,380.00
Hamilton, Evelyn C.		1,000.00
Harmon, James B.		2,255.00
Harris, Edward R. Jr.	30.00	
Harris, Edward R. Jr. & Elizabeth M.		6,360.00
Harris, Ethel M.		630.00
Harris, Ethel M. & Alfred E.		4,680.00
Harris, Herbert R.	20.00	2,120.00
Harris, Herman F.	740.00	835.00
Harris, Herman F. & Esther G.		3,495.00
Hartwell, Kenneth	100.00	
Hartwell, Kenneth W. & Alice E.		4,700.00
Harwood, Clarence B.		3,195.00
Hawkes, Norman W.	100.00	
Hawkes, Norman W. & Ruth S.		4,780.00
Hawthorne, Donal, Trustee, Crowle Mt. Club	50.00	500.00
Healy, Allen		160.00
Healy, Winston	1,000.00	31,215.00
Heist, Claude W.	20.00	2,595.00
Heist, Paul E. & Phyllis L.	20.00	340.00
Heist, Paul E. & Phyllis L.		2,925.00
Heist, Paul E. & Phyllis L.		525.00
Henderson, Kenneth W.	500.00	
Henderson, Kenneth W. & Charlotte W.		4,410.00
Henderson, Walter A. & Lenabel H.		3,850.00
Henning, Kenneth E. & Ruth L.		100.00
Hicks, Ray C.	200.00	9,815.00

	Personal	Real
Hicks, Roy A. & Ethel M.		3,785.00
Hicks, Walter W. & Beverly J.		2,160.00
Hodgden, P. E.	3,675.00	
Hogeman, Hazel M.		3,265.00
Howard, George R. & Bertha A.		5,750.00
Howes, Earle K. & Leora M.		4,600.00
Hunkler, Harley D.		3,530.00
Hunkler, Lawrence		3,330.00
Hunkler, Rosa Frank		2,130.00
Hunt, Blanche L.		3,365.00
Hyytinen, Reino A. & Virginia B.		1,160.00
Hyytinen, Reino A. & Virginia B.		100.00
Jackman, Robert H. & Jane M.		4,175.00
Johnson, Marshall A. & Rebecca P.		8,160.00
Kendrick, Stanton C.	200.00	
Kendrick, Stanton C. et al		8,435.00
Kendrick, Stanton C. et al		620.00
Kenyon, Alfred R. & Dorothy		3,410.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.	4,800.00	23,970.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.		5,030.00
Kennedy, Cecil H.		600.00
Kilgore, Harold S. & Ruth I.		5,670.00
King, Grace T.		3,040.00
King, Grace T.		2,115.00
King, Robert J. & Geneva A.		3,970.00
Kirchleckner, Frank		1,010.00
Kolnacki, Joseph S.	100.00	6,025.00
Koonchaug, Building Assoc.		1,500.00
Kriehbiel, Ernest & Margaret E.	50.00	1,860.00
Kunz, Douglas W. & Marie F.	50.00	2,430.00
Lamore, Alvin H.	150.00	
LaMountain, Ernest L. & Patricia L.		2,850.00
Langevin, Harold J. & Beda A.		4,525.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose	1,200.00	12,260.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		3,000.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		760.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,150.00
Lanoue, D. Ambrose		1,200.00
Laramee, Lawrence L. & Eugenia B.	100.00	2,600.00
Lee, Frank H.	150.00	
Lee, Frank H. & Lorraine A.		3,955.00
Lees, Minnie		1,000.00
Legate, Annie S.		450.00
Legate, Harry F.		3,930.00

	Personal	Real
Liese, Cyrus Jr.	170.00	
Liese, Cyrus Jr. & Elaine S.		5,170.00
Lively, Cleophas	20.00	
Lively, Cleophas & Ellen D.		2,790.00
Lively, Clovis	80.00	
Lively, Clovis N. & Celena J.		3,900.00
Lively, Elise & Trudel, William S.		2,460.00
Longridge Co., Inc.		1,000.00
Lowensberg, William A.	640.00	
Lyman, Geraldine H.		5,190.00
Lynch, Edith		35.00
MacLean, Harold W. & Mildred F.		3,005.00
MacLean, Wallace Sterling & Leona Ada		50.00
Magnant, Lester F. & Lauraine E.		3,115.00
Manchester, Arthur W. & Mary C.	75.00	1,130.00
Mann, T. S. Lumber Co.		1,950.00
Marcinuk, Joseph & Muriel A.		3,725.00
Martin, Carol		585.00
Martin, Edward H. & Ruby T.		3,250.00
Massoth, William H. & Victoria L.	300.00	6,630.00
Massoth, William H. & Victoria L.		5,000.00
Mathukatis, John & Stephania		3,795.00
Maynard, Albert E. & Eleanor R.		3,560.00
Maynard, Earl O. Est.		2,040.00
Maynard, Earl O. Est.		150.00
Maynard, John W. & Beverly L.		2,440.00
McCloud, Everett B. & Marion		3,890.00
McGowan, Arthur V.	1,000.00	22,650.00
McGowan, Arthur V.		200.00
McHaffie, John W.		2,360.00
McKane, Edward P. & Helen		4,600.00
McKinstry, Roger E.	1,120.00	
McKinstry, Roger E. & Doris		12,570.00
McKinstry, Roger E. & Doris		385.00
McKinstry, Roger E. & Doris		500.00
Merrill, Francis & Agnes		5,860.00
Miller, Arthur L. & Clark, Francis J.		390.00
Miller, Gertrude	100.00	1,345.00
Miller, Helen	1,800.00	3,995.00
Montagna, John A. Trustee		300.00
Moriarty, John M.	500.00	2,620.00
Muller, Dorothy M.		1,050.00
Muller, Peter J.		7,245.00
Murphy, Margaret		400.00

	Personal	Real
Murray, Harry E. & Isabelle	100.00	700.00
New England Power Co.	7,240.00	72,900.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	36,100.00	2,250.00
Newell, Ralph F.		3,005.00
Nickols, Lawrence	100.00	
Nichols, Robert Lee & Sally Lou		330.00
Nilman, Carl H.		6,700.00
Noga, Henry C. & Nina E.		4,065.00
Norcross, Ora Marie		6,770.00
Norman, Joseph W. & Cordelia M.	100.00	700.00
North. Berkshire Electric Co.	41,000.00	
Padula, Violet		600.00
Palmer, Paul W. & Clarinda A.		3,280.00
Pappas, Stanford C.	1,300.00	
Pappas, Stanford C. & Elizabeth G.		5,500.00
Parker, Floyd A. & Lurena M.		3,355.00
Parker, James L. & Ruby Lenora		6,425.00
Patterson, George	250.00	
Pecor, Harmon G.	250.00	
Pierson, William D.	800.00	16,030.00
Pike, Sherman T. & Elizabeth G.	750.00	20,095.00
Plantation House, Inc.	270.00	7,880.00
Pleshaw, Beatrice L.		1,970.00
Pleshaw, Gervin D. & Gladys		4,300.00
Porrovecchio, Carl James & Eva S.		2,815.00
Potter, W. N. Grain Stores, Inc.		9,000.00
Powers, Charles E.		1,200.00
Pratt, Clement C.		1,050.00
Pratt, Gordon M. & Esther E.		1,800.00
Pratt, Robert J. & Mayabelle M.		3,050.00
Purinton, Albert T.	340.00	
Purinton, Albert T. & Veda E.		3,930.00
Purinton, Albert T. & Veda E.		220.00
Purinton, Harry L.	500.00	
Purinton, Harry L. & Thelma G.		6,600.00
Purinton, Harry L. & Thelma G.		1,645.00
Purinton, Raymond A.		5,910.00
Purrington, Gordon		600.00
Quilliman, Clayton F. & Ralph L.		1,415.00
Raymond, Donald W.	65.00	
Raymond, Donald W. & Katherine E.		4,070.00
Raymond, Gerald T. & Bessie P.		2,300.00
Redard, R. John & Phyllis Ridge		3,885.00
Reed, Claude E. & Bonnalyn E.		420.00

	Personal	Real
Reed, Claude E. & Bonnalyn E.		1,460.00
Rice, Aubrey L.	1,830.00	
Rice, Aubrey L. & Amelia A.		4,250.00
Rice, Aubrey L. & Amelia A.		580.00
Rice, Aubrey L. & Amelia A.		370.00
Rice, Kenneth R.	40.00	
Rice, Kenneth R. & Marie M.		1,215.00
Rich Lumber Co., Inc.		1,000.00
Richmond, Earl L. & Hazel N.	40.00	6,100.00
Richmond, Earl L. & Hazel N.		230.00
Rickert, Frank J. & Margaret M.		4,110.00
Ringchrist, George & Edna May		3,640.00
Rivers, Rena M.	30.00	5,535.00
Robinson, Thurman & Clara T.		1,500.00
Rowe Lumber Company		370.00
Rubenstein, Frances D.	75.00	2,245.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,675.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,775.00
Ryan, Helena T.		1,710.00
Sandri, Arcille		3,000.00
Schaefer, Paul E. & Sophia		390.00
Schechterle, William G.	150.00	
Schechterle, William G. & Gertrude D.		3,750.00
Schultz, Harold J.		160.00
Sears, Mabel V.		4,825.00
Shafer, Oella		2,095.00
Shaw, Harry P.	20.00	
Shaw, Harry P. & Mary		3,350.00
Shaw, Harry P. & Mary		50.00
Shaw, Lincoln		2,590.00
Sherman, Cecil		670.00
Sherman, Elmer		315.00
Sherman, Floyd	40.00	465.00
Sherman, Floyd		120.00
Sherman, James M. Jr.		525.00
Sherman, Lena M.		745.00
Shields, Edward D.	60.00	
Shields, Edward D. & Gertrude I.		4,045.00
Shukis, Dominic S. Jr.	2,630.00	
Shukis, Dominic S. Jr. & Stella B.		7,740.00
Shukis, Dominic S. Jr. & Stella B.		620.00
Shukis, Dominic S. Jr. & Stella B.		210.00
Shukis, Dominic S. Jr. & Stella B.		450.00
Shumway, Harold & Gladys T.		3,415.00

	Personal	Real
Shumway, Richard E. & Eleanor L.		5,340.00
Simmons, Mary	2,000.00	6,300.00
Simmons, Mary		6,300.00
Slaunwhite, Stewart E.		3,260.00
Slaunwhite, Stewart E.		310.00
Smith, Frederick A. & Margaret E.		4,120.00
Smith, H. Parker	120.00	
Smith, H. Parker & Beth T.		3,350.00
Smith, J. Roger	920.00	
Smith, J. Roger, Wissman, Dorothy S. & Smith, Philip R. & Martin, Carroll G.		3,290.00
Spear, Winifred E.		5,940.00
Spofford Motors Inc.		2,325.00
Stacy, Helen B.		300.00
Stafford, Edward R. & Margaret L.		2,050.00
Stafford, William P. & Grace M.		4,185.00
Stafford, Russell M.	30.00	
Stidhams, Green B. & Helen A.	75.00	1,100.00
Streeter, Charles E. & Marjorie T.	260.00	7,075.00
Swehla, Louis F. & Dorothy C.	50.00	1,615.00
Tanner, Donald H. & Lois E.		1,960.00
Tanner, Richard & Homer		5,235.00
Taylor, Archie F.	20.00	3,475.00
Taylor, Theron S. Jr. & Virginia J.		6,000.00
Temple, John B.		545.00
Thompson, Jane		3,040.00
Tilley, Wilson L. & Priscilla E.		5,275.00
Tilley, Wilson L. & Priscilla E.		200.00
Tinney, Floyd O.		1,270.00
Tinney, Lawrence S.	40.00	1,120.00
Tinney, Lawrence Jr.	50.00	
Tower, Mabel A.		5,205.00
Tower, Kenneth A.	350.00	
Trinity Church		750.00
Trudell, William	20.00	
Trustees Congregational Society		715.00
Trustees, I.O.O.F.		4,350.00
Trustees, Leavitt Cemetery		600.00
Turner, Leon H.	2,500.00	
Turner, Dora E. & Leon H.		3,750.00
Turner, Dora E. & Leon H.		1,910.00
Turner, Christine M.		8,930.00
Turner, Christine M.		315.00
Turner, William C.		2,400.00

	Personal	Real
Veber, Laura M. & Leon H.	50.00	1,625.00
Vincent, Leslie I.		3,650.00
Vincent, Leslie I. & Emma B.	115.00	
Wagner, Joseph A.	110.00	
Wagner, Joseph A. & Gloria J.		4,730.00
Wakefield, William H. & Bessie M.		1,680.00
Ware, Alice F.		1,845.00
Warfield, Horace E. & Agnes Y.	525.00	12,915.00
Warfield, Horace E. & Agnes Y.		170.00
Warfield, Horace E. & Agnes Y.		410.00
Warfield, Horace E. & Agnes Y.		110.00
Warner, Mary E.		3,625.00
Wells, Frank J.	5,500.00	14,350.00
Wells, Frank J.		1,000.00
Wescott, Clarence E. & Mona R.	100.00	4,580.00
Wescott, Clarence E. & Mona R.		120.00
West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co., Inc.		1,100.00
Westfield Box & Lumber Co., Inc.		4,600.00
Western Union Tel. Co.	2,400.00	
Wheeler, Daniel G.	150.00	5,595.00
Whipple, Olin E.		300.00
Whipple, Olin E. & Ruth McFall		5,005.00
Whitaker, Ernest W.	160.00	
Whitaker, Ernest W. & Tillie		2,680.00
White, Harold T.	1,000.00	150.00
Wilbur, Stephen C.		2,130.00
Willard, Ruth E.		8,205.00
Willey, Belle	300.00	
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		4,450.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		4,025.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		2,710.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		2,350.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		1,180.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		2,935.00
Willey, Belle & Turner, Dora W.		395.00
Willis, Roger W.	100.00	
Willis, Roger W. & Marjorie		8,685.00
Wilson, Elizabeth A.	100.00	1,880.00
Wilson, J. Gilbert Jr. & Hazel D.		5,590.00
Wilson, Raymond W. & Mildred C.	20.00	4,295.00
Wirthmore Store, Inc.	350.00	
Woodard, Richard & Ruth		3,495.00

Excerpts from the Annual Town Meeting

FEBRUARY 1, 1960

ARTICLE 2. Voted to raise the following appropriations:

Snow, Roads & Bridges	$ 7,800.00
Veterans Benefits	4,000.00
Welfare District Adm.	664.00
Veterans District Adm.	427.00
Board of Health	300.00
Town Dump	175.00
West. Franklin Public Health District	1,800.00
Bonding Town Officers	210.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Franklin County Retirement	844.53
East Charlemont School	75.00
Hawlemont Regional School	57,657.81
Charlemont High School	46,722.85
Police Department	300.00
Fire Department	2,300.00
Street Lights	1,625.04
Town Hall	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	1,900.00
Interest	520.00
Fairground Maintenance	100.00
Civilian Defense	25.00
Christmas Fund	100.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Old Cemeteries	35.00
Legion Rooms	240.00
Library	530.00

The four following accounts were discussed and voted as follows:

Voted to grant the Highway Department two week vacations and appropriated $750.00 for same.

Voted $25,000.00 for Public Assistance, provided the Board of Assessors in its discretion, to use not exceeding $10,000.00 from available funds in the treasury to meet said appropriation.

Voted to appropriate only $300.00 for Gypsy Moth and Dutch Elm.

Voted to raise $2,500.00 for Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to raise $2,350.00 for Chapter 81 highway construction and maintenance.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to raise $4,500.00 to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 construction on South River Road.

ARTICLE 6. Voted to raise $1,000.00 and reappropriate $1,000.00 from available funds in the treasury, for Chapter 90 highway maintenance.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $6,000.00 to the 1960 highway maintenance account, to include the purchase of new equipment.

ARTICLE 8. Voted to raise $500.00 to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, on a preparation of a town history, and to reappropriate $500.00 from available funds in the treasury. Any unexpended balance to be carried over to the same account next year.

ARTICLE 9. Voted to raise $500.00 to be spent under the direction of the Park Commission for improvement of Memorial Park with the provision that any unexpended balance be carried forward from year to year until exhausted.

ARTICLE 10. Voted to raise $4,450.00 for the payment of the following annual salaries, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1960, together with such clerical help as the Selectmen may authorize:

Selectmen	each	$ 300.00
Clerk		450.00
Treasurer		1,000.00
Tax Collector		600.00
Two Assessors	each	250.00
Clerk Assessor		350.00
Sealer		75.00
Inspector of Animals		75.00
Fire Chief		100.00
Dog Officer		15.00
Moderator		10.00

ARTICLE 11. Voted to pass over the article requesting $504.00 to compensate highway department employees for the loss of wages when holidays fall on normal work days.

ARTICLE 12. Voted to raise $30.00 for the care of indigent persons' graves at Leavitt Cemetery.

ARTICLE 13. Voted to raise $25.00 for repairs at the Buttonball Spring.

ARTICLE 14. Voted to extend the benefits of the Massachusetts Workmen's Compensation Act to all employees of the town excepting members of the police force and fire force, and raise $40.00 to pay the required additional insurance premium for coverage of employees in addition to laborers, workmen, and mechanics as now covered. The word "employees" as used in this vote shall not be construed so as to include elected officials.
Voted the following addition to Article 10:
The Finance Committee be instructed to make a study of elected officials' salaries and to report its recommendations at the next annual meeting.

An additional motion was accepted after Article 14, as follows: It be the sense of the meeting that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to reactivate the Committee which most recently recommended a zoning by-law for the Town, the new committee to make further recommendation on the subject of a zoning by-law not later than the next annual meeting.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

March 29, 1960

ARTICLE 1. Voted to rescind a vote passed at the annual Town Meeting held on February 1, 1960, said vote having been taken under Article 2 and reading as follows: "Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000.00 for Public Assistance, provided that the Board of Assessors, in its discretion, may use an amount not to exceed $10,000.00 from available funds in the treasury to meet said appropriation to the extent thereof."

ARTICLE 2. Vote to raise $25,000.00 for Public Assistance.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to appropriate from available funds in the treasury, $10,000.00 to be used by the Board of Assessors in determining the 1960 tax rate.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to pass over the article requesting $100.00 to pay for insurance to cover members of the Police Department while on active duty.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to rescind a vote passed at the annual town meeting held on February 1, 1960, said vote having been taken under Article 2 and reading as follows: "Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000.00 for Reserve Fund."

ARTICLE 5. Voted to appropriate $2,500.00 for Reserve Fund by transferring said sum from Overlay Surplus.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 1, 1960

ARTICLE 1. Voted NOT to accept the amendment to the agreement establishing the Hawlemont Regional School District as proposed by the Hawlemont Regional School District Committee as follows:
By striking out in numbered paragraph 3 of said agreement as previously amended the word "one" and inserting in place thereof the word "kindergarten" so that numbered paragraph 3 shall read as follows:
The Regional District School shall be an elementary school for grades kindergarten through six inclusive.

ARTICLE 2. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $500.00 to the 1960 machinery maintenance account, to include the purchase of new equipment.

ARTICLE 3. Voted to accept the provisions of Section 103A of Chapter 54 of the General Laws which provides for absentee voting at regular town elections as provided in Section 86 to 103 inclusive of Chapter 54 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. Voted to revoke the vote passed under Article 9 of the annual town meeting of February 4, 1957 which authorized the Board of Assessors to publish the list of tax valuations in the annual report on a once in three year basis, and instead, to return to the practice of publishing the list of tax valuations annually in the annual town report starting with the report for the year 1960.

ARTICLE 5. Voted to pass over Article 5, to see whether it be the sense of the town meeting that the Board of Assessors print and distribute to all taxpayers a complete list of old and new valuations of all property in the town before any general revaluation becomes effective in the town.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 13, 1960

ARTICLE 1. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund $2,600.00 to the 1960 machinery maintenance account to include the purchase of new equipment.

Town Meeting Warrant

February 6, 1961

The polls will be open from 11:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. for the election of the following town officers: Clerk, Treasurer, Selectman, Assessor, School Committeeman, Tax Collector, Moderator, Library Trustee, Auditor, Tree Warden, Park Commissioner, Three Constables, and member of Mohawk Trail Regional School Committee.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the meeting will be convened for action on the articles of the warrant. The tentative budget approved by the Finance Committee is as follows:

Snow, Roads & Bridges	$ 7,800.00
Chapter 81	2,350.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction	4,500.00
Town Dump	150.00
Highway Department Vacations	750.00
Memorial Park - Maintenance	100.00
Memorial Park - Improvement	500.00
Machinery - Maintenance	6,500.00
Machinery - New Equipment	5,000.00
Public Assistance	22,000.00
Welfare District Administration	664.00
Veterans' Benefits	3,500.00
Veterans District Administration	427.00
Board of Health	350.00
Health District	2,140.00
Bonding Town Officers	200.00
Insurance	2,300.00
Retirement System	843.62
Hawlemont School	57,091.48
High School	51,260.00
East Charlemont School	65.00
Fire Department	2,300.00
Street Lights	1,625.04
Town Hall	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	2,200.00
Interest	320.00
Officers' Salaries	4,550.00
Gypsy Moth	300.00
Civilian Defense	25.00
Christmas	100.00

Memorial Day	55.00
Old Cemeteries	35.00
Care of Indigent Persons Graves	30.00
Legion Rooms	240.00
Library	600.00
Town History	500.00
Buttonball Spring	25.00
Reserve Fund	2,500.00

There will also be articles concerning the following subjects:

Making and maintaining water holes.

Withdrawing from the Mohawk Trail Regional School District.

Amending the Hawlemont Regional School District so as to include grades seven and eight.

Accepting an assessment system in accordance with provisions of Section 7A through 7D of Chapter 58 of the General Laws.

Raising $500.00 for the Police Department.

Widening School Street $350.00.

Inasmuch as there may be some changes in this warrant before town meeting day, it is furnished herewith in outline form. There will be mimeographed copies of the actual warrant available at the meeting.

State Audit Report

April 11, 1960

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. William D. Pierson, Chairman
Charlemont, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Charlemont for the fiscal year 1959, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,
HERMAN B. DINE
Director of Accounts

Mr. Herman B. Dine
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Charlemont for the fiscal year 1959, and submit the following report thereon:

The records of financial transactions of the several departments receiving and disbursing town funds or sending out bills for collection were examined and checked.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined. The recorded receipts were analyzed and checked with the records of the departments making payments to the treasurer and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while expenditures were compared with the selectmen's warrants and with the classified record of payments. The cash balance on January 31, 1960 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The records of payroll deductions on account of Federal and State taxes, the county retirement system, and Blue Cross and Blue Shield were examined and checked. The deductions listed, the payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances in the general treasury on January 31, 1960 were proved.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer and the First National Bank and Trust Company, Greenfield, were examined and listed. The income was proved and the amounts transferred to the town were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The accounts outstanding at the time of the previous audit, as well as all subsequent commitment lists of taxes

and excise, were audited and proved with the assessors' warrants. The collections as recorded were checked in detail, the payments to the treasurer were verified, the abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the outstanding accounts were listed and proved, and the cash on hand January 31, 1960 was proved by actual count.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was made by sending notices to all persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The tax collector's records of trailor court fees were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were listed and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The appropriations were listed from the town clerk's records of town meetings, and the amounts voted were compared with the aggregate appropriations raised by the assessors in the computation of the 1959 tax rate.

The financial transactions of the town clerk were examined. The receipts for dog and sporting licenses, as well as for gasoline registrations, were checked with the records of license issued, the payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified, and the cash on hand January 31, 1960 was proved by actual count.

The records of departmental accounts receivable and of receipts of the selectmen, the sealer of weights and measures, and the police, highway, and school departments, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town or sending out bills for collection, were examined and checked with the treasurer's cash receipts.

In connection with the audit of the treasurer's accounts, the books and accounts of the treasurers of the Western Franklin Health District and of the Western Franklin Welfare District were examined and checked in detail. The receipts were checked, the payments were compared with the approved warrants, and the cash balance on January 31, 1960 were proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements received from the bank of deposit.

The surety bonds of the town officials required to furnish them for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

Ledger accounts were compiled, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town as of December 31, 1959.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing reconciliations of the several cash accounts, summaries of the tax, excise, and departmental accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust funds.

For the cooperation received from all town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ
Assistant Director of Accounts

TOWN OF CHARLEMONT

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1959

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash,		$64,087.42
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1955:		
Personal Property,		44.00
Levy of 1957:		
Poll,	$ 10.00	
Personal Property	14.00	
Real Estate	338.83	
		362.83
Levy of 1958:		
Poll,	$ 20.00	
Personal Property	91.76	
Real Estate	1,513.84	
		1,625.60
Levy of 1959:		
Poll,	$ 60.00	
Personal Property	1,097.78	
Real Estate	9,190.99	
		10,348.77
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1956	$ 81.65	
Levy of 1957	484.68	
Levy of 1958	654.60	
Levy of 1959	2,468.39	
		3,689.32
Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1957	$ 10.50	
Levy of 1958	28.01	

Liabilities and Reserves

Temporary Loans:		
In Anticipation of Reimbursement,		$ 25,925.00
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes,	$ 140.76	
State Taxes,	.20	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	4.25	
		145.21
Tailings,		19.00
Trust Fund Income:		
Stephen Leonard School,	$ 166.96	
Fred L. Tyler Memorial Library	37.79	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	14.69	
		219.44
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Assistance,		142.01
School Athletics Activities,		175.23
Road Machinery Earnings,		10,034.86
Appropriation Balances:		
General,		1,000.00
Overestimate 1959:		
State Recreation Areas Assessment		44.38
Reserve Fund - Overlay Surplus		7,256.04
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1955	$ 44.00	
Levy of 1957	362.83	
Levy of 1958	1,625.60	
Levy of 1959	1,870.43	
		3,902.86

Levy of 1959	37.38	
		75.89
Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons,		368.88
Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	$ 423.36	
Old Age Assistance	775.62	
		1,198.98
Aid to Highways: State		9,063.32
Underestimate 1959: County Tax		106.14
Due From County: Wild Cat Bounty		30.00
Overdrawn Account: Collector's Costs		.85
		$91,002.00

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$ 3,689.32	
Farm Animal Excise	75.89	
Special Tax	368.88	
Departmental	1,198.98	
		5,333.07
Surplus Revenue		36,804.90
		$91,002.00

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds:	
Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Town Treasurer	$13,802.05
In Custody of First National Bank and Trust Company, Greenfield	6,098.74
	$19,900.79

In Custody of Town Treasurer:		
Stephen Leonard School Fund	$ 2,869.00	
Maxwell Library Fund	1,000.00	
Fred W. Hawkes Library Fund	1,000.00	
Fred R. Tyler Memorial Library Fund	6,347.31	
Potter Cemetery Fund	1,000.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	1,585.74	
		$13,802.05
In Custody of First National Bank and Trust Company, Greenfield: Tyler Memorial Library Fund,		6,098.74
		$19,900.79

A History of Charlemont

For the past two years the $500 historian's fund has been voted and held unexpended to create a fund to be spent under the direction of the Selectmen for publishing a history of Charlemont before the bicentennial of the Town's incorporation in 1965. It would seem to be appropriate to continue this item since the fund will be preserved until the Town definitely decides on its expenditure and, if a history is printed, a good part may be recovered by book sales.

I have continued off and on, to accumulate material and have done some writing, and expect to go further on it. Mrs. Avis M. Churchill has made a complete file of newspaper clippings concerning Charlemont since early in the last century. These have been noted and organized. I hope others will gather material on family history, on the history of buildings and houses, industries, churches, clubs and organizations, and on other activities in our history. I hope that at some date in the future a committee will be formed to carry on the work.

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